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## MALCOLM X BARRED BY FRENCH SECURITY

LONDON, Feb. 9 (UPI)—Malcolm X, an American black nationalist leader, was refused entry by France today. He returned here and said defiantly, "I never go to any place where I am not wanted."

Malcolm flew to Paris today to speak to an Afro-American rally there but French officials met him with a Government order saying his presence was undesirable. He was back in London four hours after he had left it.

He said he had offered an English penny to French security men at Orly Airport in Paris and told them to "give that to de Gaulle because the French Government is worth less than a penny."

The 39-year-old former Black Muslim leader said nine policemen and officials had met him at the plane.

"They gave me no reason why I was barred and did not let me contact the American Embassy," he said. "I was shocked. I thought I was in South Africa. They let [Congo Premier Moise] Tshombe in. He's the worst person on earth and he's de Gaulle's friend."

Malcolm said he planned to spend the rest of the week in London "if nothing else happens," then return to New York.

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(MALCOLM X)

SMETHWICK, ENGLAND--A VISIT BY BLACK NATIONALIST LEADER MALCOLM X. TO THIS MIDLAND STEEL-MILLING CENTER, WHERE NEGROES ARE NOT OVERWHELMINGLY POPULAR, STIRRED A STORM OF PROTEST TODAY.

MAYOR CLARENCE WILLIAMS CHARGED THE PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE FOR X'S VISIT ARE "TRYING TO TURN SMETHWICK INTO A BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA."

RESIDENTS PROTESTED THE TRIP WOULD STIR UP NEW RACIAL PROBLEMS.

LONDON NEWSPAPERS SAID THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CORP., WHICH TRIED TO ARRANGE A TELEVISION APPEARANCE FOR X IN THE TOWN, MADE A "DEPLORABLE MISTAKE."

MALCOLM X SAID HE TOURED THE INDUSTRIAL TOWN TO LEARN FOR HIMSELF IF IT WERE TRUE NEGROES ARE TREATED HERE AS THEY ARE IN ALABAMA... "LIKE HITLER TREATED THE JEWS."

"IF COLORED PEOPLE GO ON BEING OPPRESSED IT WILL SPARK OFF A BLOODY RACIAL BATTLE," X SAID.

A BBC TEAM TRIED TO ARRANGE A MEETING BETWEEN THE NEGRO AND PETER GRIFFITHS, WHO DEFEATED LABORITE PATRICK GORDON WALKER IN LAST OCTOBER'S GENERAL ELECTION, BUT GRIFFITHS WAS IN LONDON.

GRIFFITHS' DEFEAT OF GORDON WALKER--WHO RECENTLY RESIGNED AS FOREIGN SECRETARY AFTER A SECOND ELECTION DEFEAT--STIRRED PROTESTS IN PARLIAMENT THAT THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN WAS RUN ON THE RACIAL ISSUE. THE M.P. DENIED THE CHARGE.

MALCOLM X VISITED MARSHALL STREET, WHERE GHD SMETHWICK TOWN COUNCIL IS BUYING HOUSES FOR RESALE TO WHITE PEOPLE ONLY.

WILLIAMS SAID IT WAS REGRETTABLE THAT "ILL-INFORMED PEOPLE" SHOULD BRING NEW PUBLICITY TO THE TOWN.

"IT'S SIMPLY DEPLORABLE FOR THEM TO COME HERE APPARENTLY WITH THE AVOWED INTENTION OF CREATING MORE TENSION," HE SAID. "IT MAKES MY BLOOD BOIL THAT THIS MAN (X) SHOULD BE ALLOWED INTO THE COUNTRY."

THE LONDON EVENING STANDARD, COMMENTING ON THE VISIT, SAID THE BBC WAS "UTTERLY LACKING IN JUDGMENT AND RESPONSIBILITY."

IT DEMANDED THE DISMISSAL OF DERRICK AMOORE, HEAD OF THE BBC TEAM.

A BBC SPOKESMAN DENIED THAT THE CAMERA TEAM TOOK X TO SMETHWICK. HE SAID THE NEGRO LEADER WAS ALREADY IN THE AREA AND THE TEAM SIMPLY TRIED TO ARRANGE FOR HIM TO MEET GRIFFITHS.

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BY STANLEY SCOTT

UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL  
 NEW YORK, FEB. 14 (UPI)--POLICE TONIGHT SOUGHT CLUES TO WHO TOSSED  
 FOUR FIRE BOMBS FROM A PASSING AUTO SETTING FIRE TO THE HOME OF  
 BLACK NATIONALIST LEADER MALCOLM X. Little

IN THE HOUSE AT THE TIME WERE MALCOLM, HIS WIFE, BETTY,  
 AND FOUR DAUGHTERS--ATTILAH, 6; QUBILAH, 4; ILLYASH, 2;  
 AND GAMILAH, 5 MONTHS. NONE WAS INJURED.

THE MOLotov COCKTAILS, TOSSED THROUGH A LIVING ROOM WINDOW  
 WHILE THE FAMILY SLEPT, WRECKED THE LIVING ROOM AND CAUSED  
 MODERATE SMOKE AND WATER DAMAGE TO THE OTHER EIGHT ROOMS OF  
 THE BRICK HOUSE.

MALCOLM AND HIS FAMILY FLED INTO THE STREET WHILE FIREMEN  
 FOUGHT THE FIRE. THEY DID NOT RETURN TO THE \$17,000 DWELLING  
 IN THE MODERATE-INCOME EAST ELMHURST SECTION OF THE CITY. THE  
 NEGRO NATIONALIST LEADER WAS REPORTED TO HAVE TAKEN OFF FOR  
 DETROIT, WHERE HE HAD A PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENT, WHILE HIS WIFE  
 AND CHILDREN TOOK UP RESIDENCE WITH FRIENDS.

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1ST ADD MALCOLM (A39N) NEW YORK X X X WITH FRIENDS.  
 POLICE SAID THEY HAD NO CLUES TO THE BOMB THROWERS. NEITHER  
 DETECTIVES NOR MALCOLM WOULD COMMENT ON A POSSIBLE MOTIVE. BUT  
 THE HOUSE HAS FIGURED IN LITIGATION BETWEEN MALCOLM AND MEMBERS  
 OF ELIJAH MUHAMMAD'S BLACK MUSLIMS, WHO OUSTED MALCOLM FROM  
 THEIR ORGANIZATION.

INVESTIGATORS SWEEPED UP FRAGMENTS OF FOUR BOTTLES IN MALCOLM'S  
 HOME. THE BOMBS WERE FASHIONED OF WHISKEY BOTTLES CONTAINING  
 A VOLATILE FLUID AND WICKS WHICH WERE SET AFIRE BEFORE BEING  
 TOSSED THROUGH THE WINDOW.

POLICE SGT. THOMAS CONNORS SAID THE FRAGMENTS OF THE BOTTLES HAD  
 BEEN SENT TO THE POLICE LABORATORY FOR CHEMICAL ANALYSIS AND  
 POSSIBLE FINGERPRINTS.

THE BOMBS CRASHED THROUGH THE FRONT WINDOW ON THE FIRST FLOOR  
 OF THE TWO-STORY HOUSE AT ABOUT 2:50 A.M. EST.

ONLY A FEW HOURS EARLIER, MALCOLM, WHO HAS CALLED ON NEGROES  
 TO ARM THEMSELVES WITH RIFLES TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AGAINST WHITE  
 ATTACKS, HAD RETURNED FROM A TRIP TO ENGLAND.

"I WOKE UP AND HEARD A CRASH THROUGH THE WINDOW," MALCOLM  
 SAID. "THE FIRST THING I KNEW THE HOUSE WAS ON FIRE."

FIREMEN, RESPONDING TO A SINGLE ALARM, QUICKLY CONTROLLED IT.  
 ASKED WHETHER HE KNEW ANY REASON WHY BOMBS MIGHT BE FIRED INTO  
 HIS HOUSE MALCOLM LAUGHED.

HE HAS BEEN AT ODDS WITH THE CHICAGO-BASED BLACK MUSLIMS SINCE  
 HE WAS OUSTED LAST MARCH AND FORMED HIS OWN MILITANT NEGRO GROUP.

THE MUSLIMS CONTEND THAT THEY OWN THE HOUSE AND THAT IT WAS  
 PURCHASED SOLELY FOR THE USE OF ONE OF THEIR LEADERS. MALCOLM  
 MOVED IN WHILE HE WAS THE NEW YORK CHIEF OF THE BLACK MUSLIMS.  
 AN EVICTION ORDER HAS BEEN ISSUED BY QUEENS CIVIL COURT, WHICH  
 SET JAN. 31 AS THE DEADLINE FOR HIM TO MOVE.

MALCOLM TOLD POLICE HE WAS GOING TO DETROIT FOR "SOME  
 BUSINESS I HAVE THERE." HE REFUSED TO ELABORATE BUT SAID THE  
 BOMBING HAD MADE IT "MORE INSISTENT THAN EVER THAT I GO."

IN EUROPE, MALCOLM RAN INTO CONTROVERSY.

LAST WEEK HE VISITED THE BRITISH STEEL-MAKING CENTER OF  
 SMETHWICK, WHERE RACIAL TENSIONS HAVE RUN HIGH BECAUSE OF AN  
 INFLUX OF NEGROES FROM BRITISH COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES.

FORMER BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY PATRICK GORDON WALKER WAS  
 DEFEATED IN HIS BID TO WIN A SEAT IN COMMONS IN A SMETHWICK  
 CONSTITUENCY LAST OCTOBER. WALKER'S LOSS TO PETER GRIFFITHS  
 HAD RACIAL OVERTONES AND THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CO. (BBC)  
 CAME IN FOR CRITICISM WHEN IT TRIED TO ARRANGE A MEETING  
 BETWEEN MALCOLM AND GRIFFITHS.

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## B.B.C. Assailed for Conducting Malcolm X on Smethwick Tour

LONDON, Feb. 13—The British Broadcasting Corporation is being criticized for conducting Malcolm X, the militant Black Nationalist, around Smethwick, the town on the outskirts of Birmingham that has become a symbol of Britain's racial problems.

The former leader of the Black Muslims, who now heads a breakaway group, arrived in Britain after he had been refused entry into France last Tuesday.

Just before he left for the United States today, he said he had "accepted the hospitality of some Englishmen." He added: "It was incidental that they were from the B.B.C. When I was spotted in Smethwick with by B.B.C. hosts, there were people who tried to hang the B.B.C."

He spent nearly three hours in Smethwick yesterday. He was interviewed on the town hall steps and then driven by a B.B.C. television news team to Marshall Street.

In an effort to curb the influx of colored immigrants, town authorities are buying up the decrepit terrace houses on this street and selling them only to white families.

"If colored people here continue to be oppressed, it will start off a bloody battle," Malcolm X said. He added that he would not wait until "Fascists" had built the "gas ovens."

Alderman Clarence V. Wil-

protested that "these television people and the whole of the news-getting side of the English world" were "endeavoring to turn Smethwick into a kind of Birmingham, Alabama."

The Mayor said that it was "disgusting" that Malcolm X should be in Smethwick, and that he should not have been allowed in the country.

Malcolm X's comments also drew a rebuke from Cedric Taylor, chairman of the Standing Conference of West Indian Organizations for Birmingham and District, who said that "remarks about gas ovens are, I feel, the worst thing that anybody could say."

Malcolm X went to Birmingham, a major industrial center about 100 miles northwest of London, to speak at a private meeting of Islamic students at Birmingham University.

In Birmingham he arranged to meet a B.B.C. television news unit in Smethwick. The B.B.C. had wanted him to confront Peter Griffiths, the Tory who, by capitalizing on the racial issue, defeated former Foreign Secretary Patrick Gordon Walker and now represents Smethwick in the House of Commons.

Mr. Griffiths said he would not be available and the news team then drove Malcolm X around the town. The B.B.C. denies it acted as his host.

A spokesman for the Government-chartered broadcasting corporation said a date has not yet been set for using the Smethwick film material.

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# Malcolm X Story: Muslim 'Prophet' Ordered Bombing



Malcolm (left) Accuses Elijah Muhammed

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By RICHARD BARR

"I believe that it was done on orders of Elijah Muhammed."

Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X hurled this charge at the head of the Black Muslim Movement today as he headed back for New York "to tell everyone what is going on and who is responsible" for the fire-bombing of his Queens home early yesterday.

The controversial leader said his statements would come at a meeting of his Organization of Afro-American Unity at 8 o'clock tonight in the Audubon Ballroom, 166th st. and Broadway.

#### FLEES WITH FAMILY

"It doesn't frighten me; it doesn't quiet me down in any way or shut me up," said Malcolm of the wrecking of his small brick home at 23-11 97th st., Elmhurst.

"I will not move. My family understands what is involved and they feel the same way I do. I am not afraid of them and will not run from them."

Malcolm, 39, his wife, Betty, 37, and his daughters—Attilah, 6, Qubilah, 4, Ilyasah, 2, and Gamilah—5 months—fled the house unharmed about 2:45

a.m. when at least two, and possibly three Molotov cocktails reportedly crashed through the living room windows and burst into flames.

Malcolm, who was asked to vacate the Muslim-owned house after breaking with the Muslims last year to set up his own rival militant anti-white movement, spoke by telephone before heading home from Detroit where he'd gone to keep a speaking engagement shortly after the blaze.

"They fear I might create an organization that will be better than theirs and detract from theirs. But I'm not afraid."

A decision was due today on Malcolm's appeal for a stay of a civil court ruling which gave him until Jan. 31 to vacate the house.

"We own this place, man," Joseph X, self-described Muslim business manager said shortly after the fire.

"He was going to be evicted. We have money tied up here. We have to hear about it on the radio. He didn't even give us a courtesy of a phone call."



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# Malcolm X, Family Bombed Out of Home

By JOHN MALLON

Malcolm X, the black nationalist leader who charges that Elijah Muhammad's Black Muslims have been plotting against his life since he defected from their movement about a year ago, was bombed out of his home in East Elmhurst, Queens, early yesterday. *Little*

Malcolm X, 39, whose surname is Little; his wife, Betty, 37, and their four daughters fled to safety at 2:35 A.M. from their blazing one-family brick and shingle house at 23-11 97th St.

The house was severely damaged by a Molotov cocktail thrown through a living room window. Fragments of a second bottle bomb were found in the rear of the ~~house~~ *house*.

Apparently the two Molotov cocktails were tossed at the same time, but the one at the rear merely smashed against the back door and failed to ignite.

The family was asleep in three rear bedrooms when, according to Mrs. Little, "there was a conglomeration of strange sounds that woke us up."

Malcolm X and his wife raced from their bedroom to an adjoining one occupied by Attilah, 6, Qubilah, 4, and Illyash, 2. Gathering the girls, they then went into a small bedroom and picked up Gamilan, 7 months. Still in their night clothes, the six escaped through the rear door. They spent the night with friends in Manhattan.

The living room was ruined by smoke, flames and water. The five other rooms were damaged in varying degrees. A taxi driver turned in the fire alarm. The blaze was out by 3:05 A.M.

## Jug Found in Bedroom

A gallon jug with some unidentifiable liquid still in it was found on a dresser in the ~~older~~ *older*



(UPI foto)  
 Malcolm X outside his Queens home yesterday.

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those threatening to disassociate themselves from the organization.

#### Flies to Detroit

Yesterday morning Malcolm X flew to Detroit to address an Afro-American rally. At night he was slated to address one of a series of rallies at the Audubon Ballroom, 166th St. and Broadway.

Police were alerted for possible trouble at the meeting between the opposing black nationalist groups.

Ownership of the bombed-out Queens house—in a mixed neighborhood—has been a cause of dispute between the groups for some time. The Muslims said it was bought for one of their leaders and Malcolm X is no longer a leader. He has refused to move out. The case is in the courts.



(NEWS foto by George Lockhart)  
Policeman inspects damage in home of Malcolm X.

girls' bedroom. No one seemed to know how it got there.

#### He's Not Surprised

Later, Malcolm X said, "I didn't see anyone but I sensed there was someone out there. It could have been done by any one of many. I'm not surprised that it was done. It doesn't frighten me. It doesn't quiet me down in any way or shut me up.

"I intend to point out to the people of New York who I think is behind this and what will develop from it, if something is not done about it."

#### Attempts on His Life

Asked if he knew any reason why his home should be bombed, he laughed. For the last year, ever since he left the Black Muslims to head his own black nationalist movement, he has been insisting Muhammad's group has been conducting a reign of terror against all those who either have left the movement or who are threatening to do so.

Not long ago, he told a NEWS

reporter of several recent attempts on his life.

"They almost got me in front of my house on July 5," he said. "They didn't try to use guns. They had blades. There were four of them and when I got into my car, they rushed the car. I drove away, came back and got my rifle. By that time, they were gone."

Last December, he said, 20 Muslims burst into a Haryou meeting in Harlem. The Haryou

officials locked him in an office until police could be called.

He asserted the "reign of terror" has been sparked by the Black Muslims' dwindling membership—from a high of 100,000 in 1960 to less than 10,000 at present.

He said that in an effort to maintain the group's strength, Elijah has been using a special enforcement unit of the Fruit of Islam movement to coerce all



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## Fighting Black Muslim Eviction

# Molotov Bombs Fire Home of Malcolm X

The home of Malcolm X, the black nationalist leader, was seriously damaged early yesterday by a fire that apparently was started by two Molotov cocktails.

Malcolm, his wife and his four young daughters all were in the house at the time of the fire but escaped uninjured. The house is at 23-11 97th St. in East Elmhurst, Queens.

Police and Fire Department investigators thought that the fire was started in the living room by Molotov cocktails—bottles of burning gasoline—that were thrown through a front window. Along with other glass fragments, they found an intact bottle neck containing a rag and bearing drops of a liquid thought to be gasoline.

### AWAKENED

Malcolm told the police he was awakened by a noise, probably shattering glass, at about 2:30 a. m. He awakened his wife and children and led them to safety, out the back of the house, he said.

Neither Malcolm nor the police would speculate yesterday about who threw the fire bombs, but Malcolm said: "I intend to point out to the people of New York who I think is behind this and what will develop from it, if something is not done about it," he said.

Malcolm is a defector from the Black Muslims, and has been at odds with them for months. Aside from their doctrinal differences, the Muslims claim that they

own the house in which Malcolm is living, and they want him to get out of it. He has refused to move, so far.

When the Muslims secured a court evictions order, Malcolm claimed that the house had been given to him, and began litigation that postponed the carrying out of the order.

Joseph X, who described himself as a business manager for the Muslims, appeared at the house after the fire yesterday and told reporters:

"We own this place, man. He was going to be evicted tomorrow. We have money tied up here. We have to hear about it on the radio. He didn't even give us the courtesy of a phone call."

### THE DAMAGE

The house is a one-story brick. The damage to the exterior of the building appeared to be slight, but several rooms were charred inside, and there was extensive fire, smoke and water damage to the furnishings. The fire was thought to have started about 2:30 a. m. It was out by 3:05. The alarm was turned in at 2:46 by a cab driver who noticed the flames as he passed by.

The house is located in a middle-class neighborhood that has both white and Negro residents.

Malcolm had returned from a trip to England just hours before the fire, and he left again yesterday morning for a speaking engagement in Detroit. He was to return to New York last night.

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**TARGET FOR VIOLENCE**—Malcolm X surveys the damage outside his East Elmhurst, Queens house yesterday following the Molotov cocktail attack. The Negro leader and his family were not injured.

Herald Tribune—UPI

# MALCOLM X FLEES FIREBOMB ATTACK

Wife and 4 Daughters Also  
Escape as Flames Sweep  
Brick House in Queens

By M. S. HANDLER

Malcolm X, the controversial Black Nationalist leader, and his family escaped injury early yesterday when a firebomb attack wrecked the small brick house in which they lived in Jackson Heights, Queens.

Two, or possibly three, bottles of gasoline with fuses were hurled through the windows of the living room. They exploded and set fire to the house, at 23-11 97th Street.

Malcolm X had returned from a visit to France and England at 3 P.M. Saturday. He and his wife and four daughters were sleeping in bedrooms down a hall about 10 feet from the living room. The Molotov Cocktails crashed through the windows and exploded at about 2:45 A.M.

Malcolm X said he was awakened by the thud of the first explosion. He rushed his wife and children through the kitchen door into a small paved area-way behind the house and out of the range of the fire.

The blaze was quickly extinguished by the Fire Department, which, together with the Police Department bomb squad, opened an investigation. In the absence of firm clues, it was assumed that the firebombs

were thrown from a passing automobile.

The house has been the subject of a prolonged controversy between Malcolm X and the Chicago-based Black Muslim movement, of which he was the former New York representative. The Black Muslims hold title to the house. They demanded Malcolm vacate it when he broke with them to found his own organization.

A civil court ruling gave Malcolm until Jan. 31 to vacate, but he appealed for a stay. A decision on the appeal is scheduled for today.

Malcolm's wife, Betty, and his daughters—Attilah, 6; Qubilah, 4; Ilyasah, 2, and 5-month-old Gamillah—were given shelter by neighbors yesterday. Later Malcolm and his wife returned to collect the few personal possessions that survived the fire. Then the Black Nationalist left for Detroit to keep a speaking engagement.

In a telephone interview, Malcolm said in Detroit that the attack could have come from several quarters—supporters of the Black Muslims or of the Ku Klux Klan, which he has been attacking in the South, or related groups. Malcolm recently visited Selma, where he attacked the Klan and other groups.

Malcolm said that he and his wife had been receiving anonymous telephoned threats daily for some time.

He said that he was awakened yesterday by the thud of an explosion and that, as best as

he could remember, there were two or possibly three detonations.

The house is a modest one. It consists of a small living room, a dining room, two tiny bedrooms, a former utility room used for the baby's crib, a bathroom and kitchen. There is a small room under the gabled roof. There is also a small garage behind the area-way.

Malcolm was the center of incidents in France and Britain before returning to New York last Saturday. The French immigration police refused him permission to land at the Paris airfield and sent him back to England. He had been scheduled to address a meeting of Afro-Americans in Paris.

Malcolm X had been urging American Negroes to invoke the right of self-defense if attacked by white racists.

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**OUTSIDE DAMAGED HOME:** Malcolm X, the controversial black nationalist leader, getting out of car at house in Jackson Heights, Queens. He and his family escaped from blazing house after firebomb attack early yesterday morning. They were not hurt in fire.

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## Malcolm X's Home Fire-Bombed <sup>A-3</sup>

NEW YORK, Feb. 14 (AP) — Three gasoline bombs hurled through a living room window early today extensively damaged the home of Malcolm X, the Black Nationalist leader. Malcolm X and his wife and two children fled through a rear door of the house to escape injury.

by any one of many," the Negro leader said of the bombing. The blaze turned two rooms into charred shells and also damaged three others. The 9-room brick house is in a mixed Negro and white neighborhood in the Elmhurst section of Queens. It originally was owned by the Black Muslims.

Malcolm X began occupying it while he was a leader in the organization and refused to leave after he broke with the Muslims last year. A judge finally ordered him evicted, but Malcolm X contended the dwelling was given to him. Litigation postponed the carrying out of the eviction order.

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# A New Bomb Hits Malcolm: Eviction Writ

By JACK MALLON and GERALD KESSLER

Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X who was fire-bombed out of his East Elmhurst, Queens, home early Sunday, was the victim of a legal bomb yesterday. He was ordered evicted immediately from the one-family brick and shingle house at 23-11 97th St.

The eviction ruling came in the midst of suggestions by his rivals, the Black Muslims, that if anybody bombed the neat little home, it was Malcolm.

Malcolm, who defected from the Chicago-based sect of Elijah Muhammad about a year ago, has been saying ever since that the Black Muslims were out to get him.

## Suspects the Muslims

After he and his family were forced to flee the blazing house Sunday, he intimated that the Black Muslims were the instigators of this, the latest, of his troubles.

The chief Black Muslim spokesman yesterday was Jimmy X, head of Temple of Islam Mosque No. 7 at 102 E. 116th St. He said he believed Malcolm was the perpetrator of the bombing.

"I believe he got his desired effect," Jimmy X said. "He loves a crowd; he loves publicity. He is obsessed with the idea that we're after him."

## Denies a Muslim Plot

He denied that the Black Muslims had plotted against Malcolm's life, a charge that Malcolm has repeatedly made.

Jimmy X said it was ridiculous to think that the Black Muslims would damage the East Elmhurst house when they were about to gain possession.

Malcolm had been ordered to move out by Jan. 31 by Civil Court Justice Maurice Wahl.



Malcolm X

Troubles pile up

## No Further Stays

Wahl held a hearing a week ago on a petition by Malcolm's attorneys to vacate the decision. The Black Nationalist leader, his wife and four daughters continued to live in the house pending Wahl's new ruling, which he made yesterday.

Wahl denied any further stays, refused to vacate his original eviction notice and wrote: "Malcolm X can be moved forthwith by action of a city marshal."

Black Muslim attorney Joseph

B. Williams of Brooklyn said that the Muslims believed Malcolm did the bombing.

Williams said that as soon as the papers could be filed in the new eviction decision, a marshal would move to remove Malcolm's possessions from the house.

## Malcolm at Hotel

Malcolm himself was reported at the Hotel Theresa in Harlem. His family was believed to be staying with friends.

The bombed-out house has been the center of contention between Malcolm and the Black Muslims since he decided to leave the organization. They said the residence was bought for a Black Muslim leader and that Malcolm was no longer a Black Muslim leader.

Malcolm said the house was given to him by his supporters.

## Police Probe Goes On

Queens police continued their probe yesterday into the bombing. A lab test showed that the liquid in a glass jug found on a dresser in one of the bedrooms was gasoline. Police were baffled about how it came to rest upright atop a dresser since, it was believed, it had been tossed into the house through a window.

At a late hour yesterday, not one Black Muslim had officially transmitted to police the organization's apparent belief that Malcolm arranged his exit from the Queens' home.

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# **Malcolm X Asserts He'll Name Persons Who Bombed House**

By MARTIN ARNOLD

Malcolm X said yesterday he would name the persons who bombed his house last Sunday.

This immediately brought a statement from a leader of the Black Muslims, from which Malcolm X defected last year. The Muslim, James X, indicated that he believed Malcolm had set off the firebombs himself "to get publicity."

The Black Muslims and Malcolm X have been feuding since Malcolm left the movement last year. One of the issues in the feud has been the house that was bombed, a small brick one at 23-11 87th Street, East Elmhurst, Queens.

The Black Muslims, a Chicago-based organization, hold t

tle to the house. Malcolm X used to be one of the organization's New York leaders, and when he broke with the organization, it demanded that he vacate the house.

Yesterday Justice Maurice Wahl in Civil Court dismissed a move by Malcolm for a further stay on his eviction from the house. Malcolm had been ordered by the judge to surrender the house last June, but he had obtained a stay pending a new hearing.

Justice Wahl said that the new hearing was held before him Feb. 8 and that it was "full of acrimony." He ruled that since Malcolm X had appealed his original eviction decision to the Appellate Division, the division had jurisdiction and Justice Wahl was "thus powerless" to stay it any further.

Malcolm X broke with the Black Muslim movement to form his own group, the Organization of Afro-American Unity. Two or three bottles of gasoline with fuses were tossed into the house at about 2:45 A.M. Sunday and set it afire.

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(MALCOLM X)

NEW YORK--BLACK NATIONALIST LEADER MALCOLM X WAS HOMELESS TODAY FOLLOWING A PIPE-BOMB ATTACK ON HIS HOUSE EARLY SUNDAY AND AN EVICTION ORDER YESTERDAY.

MALCOLM AND THE BLACK MUSLIMS BLAME EACH OTHER FOR THE BOMBING. "MY HOUSE WAS BOMBED BY THE MUSLIMS UNDER THE DIRECT ORDERS OF ELIJAH MUHAMMED", MALCOLM SAID.

A MUSLIM SPOKESMAN, JIMMY X, CLAIMED MALCOLM BOMBED THE HOUSE HIMSELF BECAUSE "HE LOVES A CROWD...HE LOVES PUBLICITY."

MALCOLM LOST A PLEA TO JUSTICE MAURICE WAHL IN CIVIL COURT YESTERDAY ASKING THAT AN EVICTION ORDERED BY THE COURT BE VACATED. THE BLACK MUSLIMS SAID THE HOUSE BELONGED TO THEM AND THEY WANTED TO EVICT MALCOLM. MALCOLM CLAIMED IT HAD BEEN GIVEN HIM BY SUPPORTERS.

-0- LONDON--THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE ASKED THURSDAY TO DECLARE MALCOLM X AN UNDESIRABLE ALIEN TO MAKE CERTAIN HE IS REFUSED FUTURE ENTRY TO BRITAIN, IT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY.

PETER GRIFFITHS, OPPOSITION CONSERVATIVE PARTY MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR THE TOWN OF SMETHWICK, GAVE NOTICE HE WILL PUT THIS QUESTION TO HOME SECRETARY SIR FRANK SOSKICE IN COMMONS. HE WILL ALSO ASK WHY MALCOLM X WAS ALLOWED TO VISIT ENGLAND.

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## Malcolm X Awaits Step In Eviction

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Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X and his former colleagues in the Black Muslim cult today awaited the next move in a legal battle to evict Malcolm from his Muslim-owned home at 23-11 97th St., East Elmhurst.

The battle sounded like full-scale war early Sunday when someone lobbed two or three Molotov cocktails through the windows of the small, one-story house. The fire bombs exploded and burned out the living room but Malcolm X, his wife and their four small daughters escaped without injury.

Malcolm X charged last night that his home "was bombed by the Black Muslim movement on the orders of Elijah Muhammed," head of the sect and Malcolm's former boss. The Muslims, on the other hand, blamed the bombing on Malcolm.

Muslim spokesman James X said the cult owns the house. It was given to Malcolm while he was leader of Temple of Islam Mosque No. 7, 102 E. 116th St., a position now held by James X.

After leaving the Muslim fold to form his own Negro nationalist group about a year ago, Malcolm X continued to live in the house with his family. He contended the house was his property, but the Muslims retained title to it and applied for an eviction order.

Civil Court Justice Maurice Wahl decided yesterday that Malcolm X "can be moved forthwith by action of a city marshal." Muslim attorney Joseph B. Williams said furniture and other possessions will be moved from the house as soon as the necessary papers are filed. Malcolm X has appealed to the Appellate Division of State Supreme Court to halt the eviction. Meanwhile, he and his family are living with friends.

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## Eviction Server Finds Malcolm X Moved Out

NEW YORK (AP)—A city marshal armed with a court order and a strong foot showed leaving all the doors locked and up at a fire-bombed Queens residence today to evict Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X.

As it turned out, he didn't need the court order—only his foot to kick in a window and gain entrance.

Malcolm X, police said, had the organization and set up one

of his own, the Black Muslims began court proceedings to evict him. Malcolm X refused to leave. A court order for his eviction finally was obtained recently.

Last Sunday, three gasoline-bottle fire bombs were thrown into the living room through a window and caused extensive damage. Neither Malcolm X nor his wife and four daughters were hurt.

Malcolm X termed the bombing the work of Black Muslims. The Black Muslims retorted that Malcolm X did it himself because of a love for publicity.

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## Muslims Take Blasted Home

A city marshal, armed with a court order and accompanied by a Black Muslim representative named Joseph X, arrived yesterday at fire-bombed 23-11 97th St., East Elmhurst, Queens, to evict Malcolm X, Black Nationalist leader.

The marshal found the door locked, no key under the mat, and nobody home. He kicked in a window to enter and take possession.

Malcolm, it developed, had moved during the night to a new home at 84-50 110th St., East Elmhurst. Some of his followers did the moving with two station wagons.

His ouster was ordered following a suit by the Black Muslims, who said their organization, from which Malcolm had withdrawn, owned the 97th St. house. Last Sunday, three gasoline bottle fire bombs were thrown through a living room window, damaging the house but leaving Malcolm, his wife and four daughters uninjured.

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BY STANLEY SCOTT

NEW YORK, FEB. 21 (UPI)--MALCOLM X, WHO WAS CUSTED BY THE  
BLACK MUSLIMS AND FORMED THE RIVAL BLACK NATIONALIST ORGANIZATION,  
WAS SHOT AND KILLED TODAY WHILE ADDRESSING A MEETING OF HIS  
FOLLOWERS. TWO UNIDENTIFIED GUNMEN WERE IMMEDIATELY SEIZED.  
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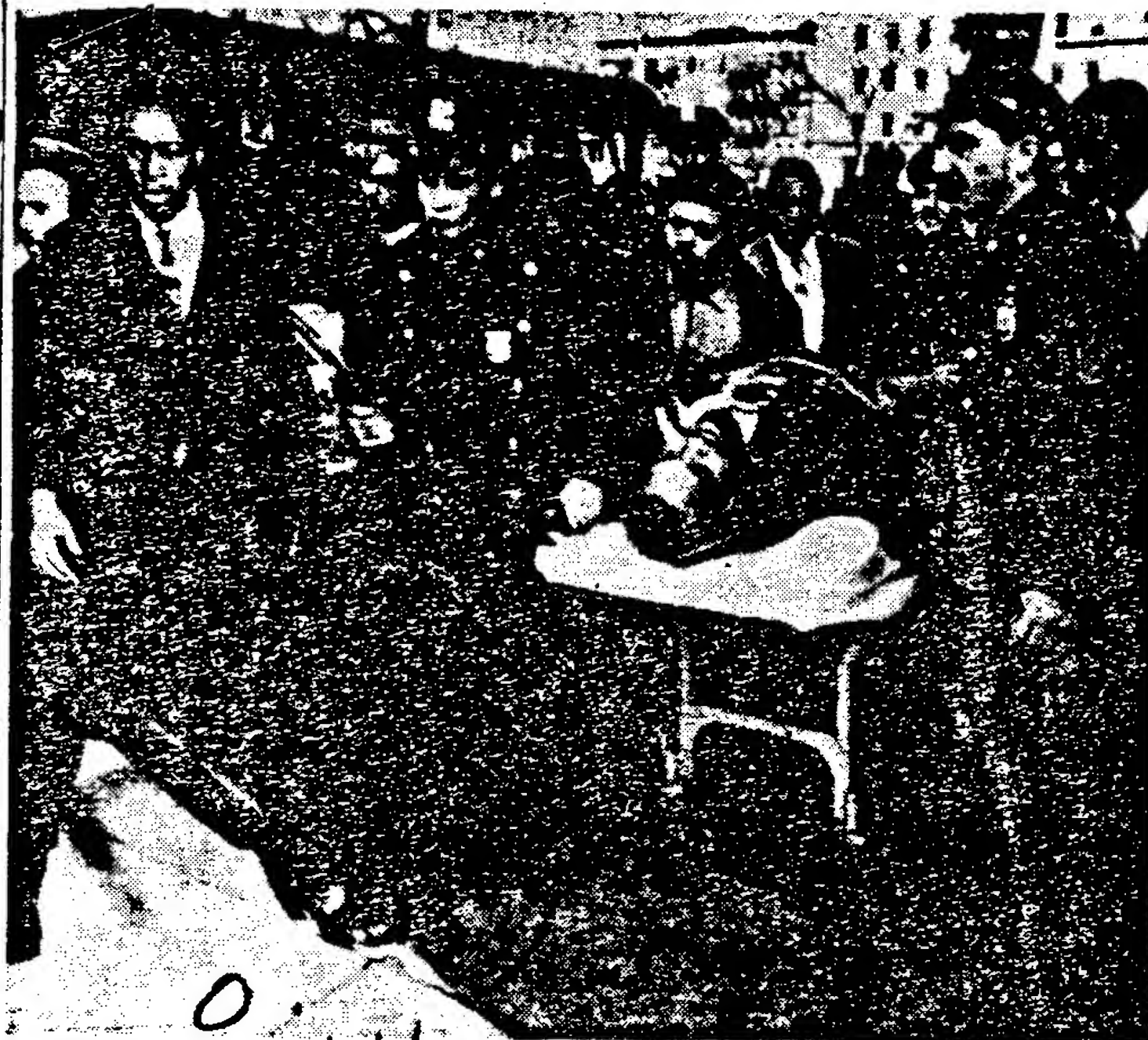
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Malcolm X is taken on a stretcher from the Audubon Ballroom in New York where he was fatally shot yesterday while he was addressing a meeting of his followers. Other Pictures on Page A3

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A second man was also held for questioning.

[Accounts of the murder differed. The Herald Tribune News Service reported that two men in the back of the hall started a fight and that Malcolm X's bodyguards moved toward them to restore order. It was then, according to this account, that the two Negroes moved up the aisle and shot Malcolm X. Another account had five men taking part in the shooting.]

The murder created fresh tensions in Harlem.

Tonight more than 100 of See MALCOLM, A3, Col. 4

The life of Malcolm X was marked by irony. Page A3.

## Wounded Suspect Is Charged

**Ex-Black Muslim  
Leader Shot Down  
Speaking to 500**

By Stanley Scott  
 NEW YORK, Feb. 21 (UPI)—Malcolm X, bearded Negro advocate of violence against the whites in the civil rights struggle, was shot to death today while speaking to his followers.

Police blamed the killing on the Black Muslims, a militant Negro organization which ousted Malcolm X recently only to have him set up his Black Nationalist organization and open a recruiting drive to woo Black Muslims as members.

As 500 persons watched in horror, Malcolm X fell in a bloodied heap on the rostrum at the Audubon Ballroom, located on the fringes of Harlem's Negro district. At least seven bullets ripped into his body.

[Police charged a 22-year-old Negro, Thomas Hagan, with firing some of the fatal shots, the Associated Press reported. Hagan, shot in the leg in the melee that followed the slaying, was held in the prison ward of Bellevue Hospital. Police Capt. Paul Glaser said Hagan killed Malcolm with a sawed-off double-barreled shotgun, and was himself wounded by one of Malcolm's followers.]

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# Malcolm X Shot to Death While

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## Speaking at Rally



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MALCOLM X  
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Malcolm X's followers gathered across the street from his Hotel Theresa headquarters and the police detail in the area was doubled.

Police also called on the Black Muslims to close their "The Shabazz" Temple No. 7 restaurant in Harlem. The Muslims complied.

Police also told them to cancel a meeting slated for late today at the Muhammed Temple of Islam. Again the Muslims complied.

A police informant told United Press International that detectives were investigating a report that six of Malcolm's followers had left New York by various routes to seek revenge on Elijah Muhammad, Chicago-based leader of the Black Muslims.

Top police, embarrassed by the slaying while Malcolm X was regularly making statements that the Black Muslims were "out to get him," were closed-mouthed about the investigation, even denying that any suspects had been picked up.

But Sgt. Alvin Aronoff, who apprehended Hagan, described it this way:

"I just got to the entrance of the Audubon Ballroom. I got out of the car with Patrolman Louis Angelos and there was a mob coming toward us out of the door. They all piled on this fellow Hagan. He had been shot in the leg. They were kicking and pummeling him and shouting, 'Kill him. Kill him.' I thought the man would be lynched.

"I fired a shot in the air and we grabbed Hagan and pulled him into the car. I found four unused .45-caliber cartridges in Hagan's pocket."

Two other persons were hit by stray bullets. A semi-automatic rifle was found in the auditorium.

Sanford Garelick, Assistant Police Inspector, said:

"This is the result, it would seem, of a long-standing feud between the followers of Elijah Muhammad, head of the Black Muslims, and the people who broke away from him, headed by Malcolm X."

Malcolm X had uttered only three words — "Brothers and Sisters —" when the bullets ripped into him.

At the nearby Vanderbilt Clinic where a team of doctors tried to save Malcolm's life, a spokesman said, "There was no response at all. He was dead on arrival. There was no response from the time he was brought in."

Malcolm X, his wife and four children had been fire-

bombed out of their Queens home just a week ago in an attack he attributed to the Black Muslims.

Negro leaders, many strongly opposed to the racism preached by Malcolm X, expressed themselves as aghast at the slaying. The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. said tonight in Atlanta that he was

"deeply saddened and appalled" by the slaying.

"This evil act must be strongly condemned by all people of goodwill," he said.

Roy Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said the slaying showed the "futility of violence."

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# Malcolm's Life— Marked by Irony

By Dick Schaap  
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NEW YORK, Feb. 21—He was the son of a minister and he became a dope addict. He was the brightest student in his grammar school classes and he never got through high school. He hated white people and he fixed them up with Negro prostitutes. He was a saint and a former pimp, and even in the last five years of his life, when he had settled firmly into the fiery Black Nationalist image he had created for himself, Malcolm X never escaped the contradictions.

His killing today, at 39, was the ultimate irony. Malcolm X was shot to death by Negroes.

He hated whites. He insisted he hated whites. But somehow, it was hard to believe him. Always on his face there was the slight smile, the ironic smile that mocked his words even when he was making the most outrageous statements. It was his pitch, his hatred for the white man, but it never seemed to be his conviction.

## Shows Courtesy

I never saw Malcolm X treat a white man unkindly. In the balcony of the Assembly chamber in Albany, he was soft and gentle to the white police guards who surrounded him. In a loft above a theater in Harlem, he was courteous to a white man who considered renting him space. In his office, among his aides, he invariably had time for a visiting white man. He did not offer solutions. He offered slogans and shouts of violence and calls to the street, and, mostly, he offered words.

He could talk. He was obsessed with language, obsessed with words, and he spilled them out, in rallies, in conversations, in interviews. He trapped himself in words. He contradicted himself with predictable regularity. He was always on the point of contradiction. He was always on the point of contradiction.

He loved Elijah Muhammad with a fierce love that no one other Black Muslim could match when he was still working in the Black Muslim organization. "Elijah Muhammad has seen Allah," he used to say. Then, when Malcolm split with Muhammad, he hated with unequalled passion.

## Background of Violence

Malcolm X came out of a background of violence. He was born in Omaha, Neb., one of 10 children of the Rev. Earl Little, a Baptist minister whose main faith was in Marcus Garvey, the fierce Black Nationalist.

The Ku Klux Klan marched on Mr. Little's home shortly before Malcolm was born, and years later, sitting in the Hotel Theresa in Harlem, Malcolm liked to say that he met the white devils while he was still in the womb.

"My father was the color of this," he once said, pointing to his black shoes, "and my mother, whose mother was raped by a white man, was light enough to pass for white. I hate every drop of white blood in me because it is the blood of a rapist."

The Little family moved to Milwaukee shortly after Malcolm was born, and then to Lansing, Mich. Malcolm grew up there, the only Negro in

his class, and when he was six, his home was burned down. A year later, his father was killed, found dead under a streetcar. Malcolm always insisted that his father had been lynched.

He was separated from his mother, sent to a school in Michigan where he, again, was the lone Negro. He did well, but by the age of 16, he had fled to Harlem, and there he became "Big Red." He was always tall, and his hair had a red tinge, and the nickname grew naturally out of his physical appearance. But there was more. He was bad.

He smoked marijuana and then he sold it. He ran numbers. He sold bootleg whiskey. He conducted tours of Harlem brothels for visiting whites.

He was only a teen-ager, but he moved fast. He was making perhaps \$2000 a week before he was 20. Then he planned a big robbery, a robbery in Boston, and he was caught. He was sent to a maximum security prison in Concord, Mass., and it was there, in 1947, when he was 22 years old, that he was converted to the Black Muslim doctrine.

He worked in Detroit for two years after being released from prison in 1952, then came to New York to head Muslim Mosque No. 7 in 1954.

## Acquires Power

Malcolm acquired power, but it was a strange power. He never directly led an incident of violence. He preached violence, but no one ever saw him in a fight.

By the end of the 1950s, Malcolm X was, beyond question, the No. 2 man in the Black Muslim movement, Elijah Muhammad's most valuable lieutenant. He preached his hatred for the whites strongest then, in the early 1960s and there were rumors that his followers and Elijah

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Malcolm X's widow, right, weeps outside the Audubon Ballroom after her husband was shot to death yesterday.

He never did seem able to decide whom he hated most. His speeches were most eloquent to whites, and his fury seemed contained. He had a potential for leading people that he never really used. And then, today, after all his sermons of hatred for the white man, he died at the hands of Negroes. He might have smiled at the irony.

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Muhammad's followers might number 100,000 or more.

But the reports always seemed exaggerated, and the Black Muslims never mustered any great national revolt. They called for a separate black state within the United States, but they did not openly fight for it.

Malcolm's power grew, and more and more he became the spokesman for the Black Muslim movement. Elijah Muhammad would grant interviews only rarely; Malcolm was almost always available.

#### Friction Seen

By the middle of 1963, it was obvious to anyone who followed the Black Muslim movement that Malcolm X was a threat to Elijah Muhammad. Malcolm always denied it. He always deferred to Elijah Muhammad. But still there was an undertone of friction.

And then when President Kennedy was assassinated and Malcolm made his remark about "chickens coming home to roost," Elijah Muhammad pounced. He suspended Malcolm. He silenced Malcolm. That was in December, 1963.

Three months later, stifled by the suspension, Malcolm X quit Elijah Muhammad's Black Muslim movement. He went off to Mecca to study Islam, and he sent word back to friends that he was now discovering the true religion. He said that Elijah Muham-

mad's teachings had been false, that separatism was not necessarily the answer, that perhaps white men did not have to be hated. He talked of brotherhood and hinted of conciliation.

He returned to New York in the summer of 1964, and he set up the Muslim Mosque Inc. in the Hotel Theresa, then changed his organization's name to the Organization of Afro-American Unity.

He fluctuated between conciliation and outright racism, contradicting himself over and over. He made overtures to the accepted civil rights organizations. He said he was working for human rights. He had perhaps 100 parttime followers. And then, only two months ago, he said, "we need a Mau Mau in the United States."

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Sgt. Alvin Aronoff grips the arms of Thomas Hagan, 22, one of the men held for questioning after the fatal shooting of Malcolm X. Hagan was hospitalized with a bullet wound in the leg. He and another man were taken to a patrol car after they were attacked by followers of the slain Black Nationalist leader.

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# Victim Known As Articulate Negro Leader

*Little*  
By Ramon Geromia  
Washington Post Staff Writer

Malcolm X shot to death in a New York hotel yesterday, ranked high on the list of the Nation's Negro leaders.

The 38-year-old Black Nationalist leader was known as an articulate, able and dynamic orator who broke away from the Black Muslim cult last March 8 to form his own group, The Muslim Mosque, Inc.

A short time later, he also set up an Afro-American organization saying that "the main emphasis of the new movement will be black nationalism as a political concept and form of social action against the oppressors."

Once recognized as the chief spokesman for the anti-white Black Muslim group, Malcolm X rejected the organization saying that "for 12 long years I lived within the narrow-minded confines of the 'strait-jacket world' of Elijah Muhammad, the leader of the Black Muslim cult."

Malcolm X was born in Omaha, Neb., one of 10 children of the Rev. and Mrs. Earl Little. His father was active in the back-to-Africa movement of black nationalist Marcus Garvey.

As a young boy, he moved with his family to Lansing, Mich., where they lived in a previously all-white neighborhood. Within three years, Malcolm later said, the home was burned to the ground and his father was found bludgeoned to death under a street car.

He ran away from home at the age of 11 and ended up in Boston at the home of a half-sister. At 15 he was living in Harlem, but by 1945 was back in Boston where he was arrested, convicted of burglary and was sentenced to 8 to 10 years in the Charles-town State Prison, where he served 77 months before being paroled.

his ideas did not change and he continued his work as a Black Nationalist evangelist with unremitting vigor.

His attitude toward the Negro movement is perhaps best summarized in a 1960 comment quoted by Wallace Terry, then a staff writer for The Washington Post:

"We want to get behind leaders who will fight for us," Malcolm said, "... leaders who are not afraid to demand freedom, justice and equality. We do not want leaders who are handpicked for us by the white man. We don't want any more Uncle Tom's."

In 1952 he joined the Black Muslims, the unofficial name of the organization known formally as the Nation of Islam. Then, like all practicing members of the cult, he substituted X for his last name to symbolize the last name his ancestors lost when brought here from Africa as slaves.

He also practiced the stringent moral code of the Black Muslims and gradually became the spokesman and in effect the number two man for Black Muslim leader Elijah Muhammad.

Malcolm X also became the heir-apparent to the spiritual leader of the Black Muslims, but it is believed that he lost out in a power struggle to guarantee his succession to Elijah who for some time has been in ill health.

Then, 14 months ago, the feud exploded. Ironically, it was touched off by Malcolm X's comment on the assassination of President Kennedy, which he characterized as an instance of "the chickens coming home to roost."

Speaking in New York, Malcolm X said that "being an old farm boy myself, chickens coming home to roost never did make me sad; they've always made me glad."

A week later, Elijah Muhammad publicly reprimanded Malcolm X for the remarks and suspended him indefinitely from the Black Muslims. "We, with the world, are very shocked at the assassination of our president," said Elijah Muhammad.

Later, when rejecting the Black Muslims, Malcolm X wrote to a New York friend from Mecca, Saudi Arabia, that "I shall never rest until I have undone the harm I did to so many well-meaning Negroes who through my own evangelistic zeal now believe in (Elijah Muhammad) even more fanatically and more blindly than I did."

But although Malcolm X split from the Black Muslims,

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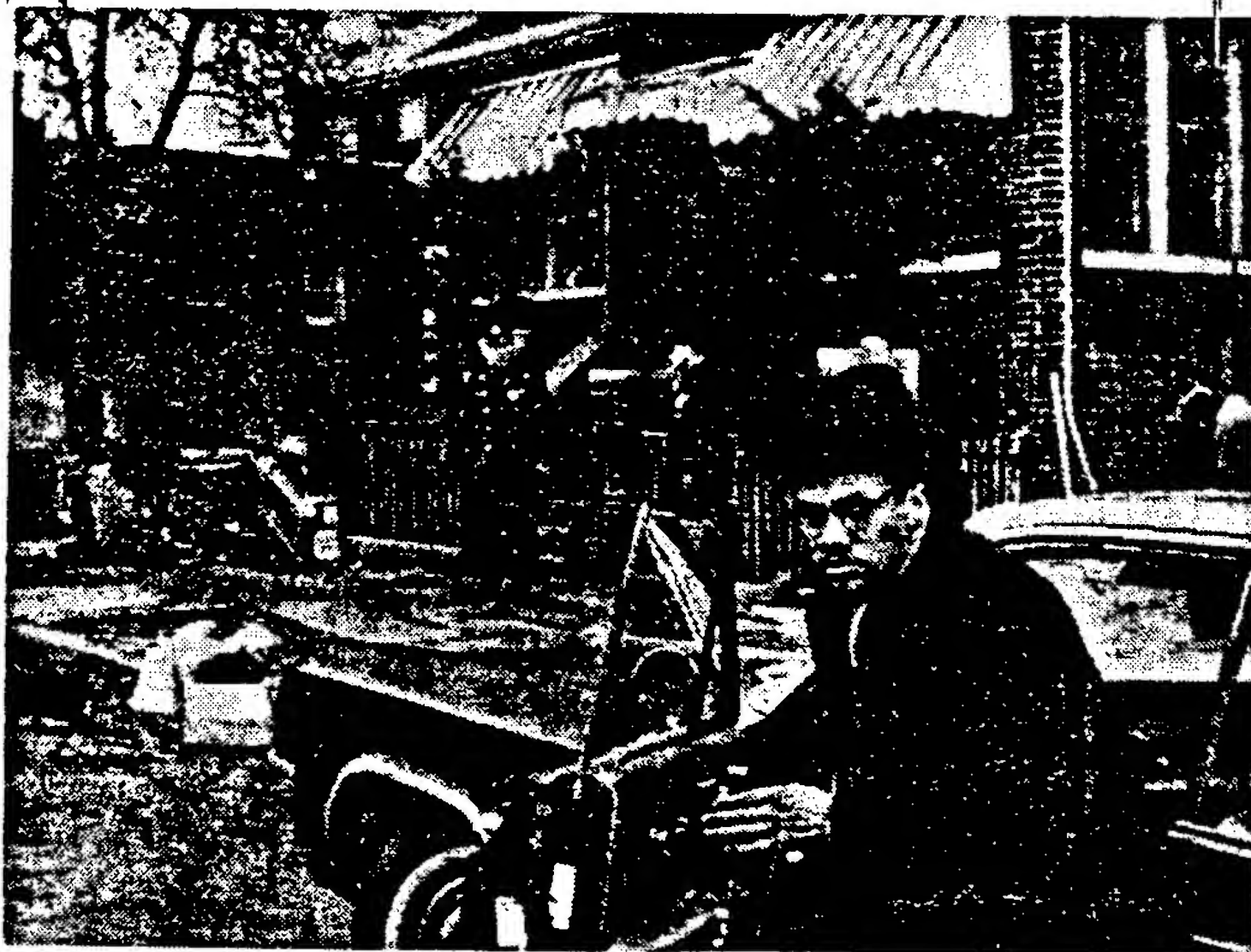
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On Feb. 4, Malcom X readied his camera to photograph the church where he spoke briefly to Negroes in Selma, Ala., during the voter registration drive held there.

By Harry Nalicharan, Staff Photographer

On June 14, 1963, he spoke into a reporter's microphone as he observed a civil rights demonstration of about 3000 marchers proceeding down Pennsylvania Avenue.



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A week ago Sunday, Malcolm X arrived at his New York home after a fire bomb was thrown into the house during the

night. Neither he nor his wife and four children were injured but the home, in Queens, suffered heavy damage.

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## Widow Under Police Guard

By CY EGAN

Journal-American Staff Writer

In fear of her own life and those of her four small daughters, the widow of assassinated Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X was in seclusion under heavy police guard today.

"I knew Malcolm would be killed some day," said the sobbing widow, Mrs. Betty Shabazz, 37, who is one month pregnant. But she shook her head and then stared blankly in silence when asked who the killers were.

"I believe Malcolm named the killers to police last Friday as the men who were responsible for the fire-bombing of our home," she finally ventured.

Malcolm, his wife and their children—Attilah, 6, Qubilah, 4, Ilyasah, 2, and Gamilah, 5, were forced to flee the small brick house at 25-11 97th st., Elmhurst, Queens, early last Feb. 14 when several Motolov

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cocktails were hurled through living room windows.

"When this happened, he didn't fold up his arms and cry," she said. "He felt it was a tragic thing but that the struggle for the Negro must go on."

Mrs. Shabazz said her husband had received a telephone call at the New York Hilton Hotel on Saturday and a second yesterday morning from a person who warned "you better wape up before it's too late."

She said a policeman escorted Malcolm to the hotel room and about 15 more were on duty around the hotel. But she claimed police had denied her husband's request for a pistol permit.

Her attorney, Manhattan Democratic Assemblyman Percy Sutton, said, however that Malcolm either owned or carried a .25 caliber pistol or a rifle,

but "he was unarmed when he was killed."

Mrs. Shabazz said she and some of her children were present when her husband was assassinated, but did not actually witness the shooting.

"I heard noise," she said. "My husband said, 'Everything is all right.' Some in the third row stood up. I heard shots. I just fell to the floor. I looked out. I saw people crawling. I just knew they had shot him."

Mrs. Shabazz held a press conference last night at George's Supper Club, a Negro nightspot at 103-02 Astoria blvd., East Elmhurst.

Police raised the hood of the car in which she left the conference with Mr. Sutton and otherwise inspected the vehicle for bombs. They then tailed the auto as it sped off to an undisclosed destination.

Mr. Sutton said Malcolm X "died broke."

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**1—Trouble for Malcolm X, born Malcolm Little 39 years ago, really began last March when he split with Elijah Muhammad's Black Muslim sect over the issue of "non-violence." Malcolm X formed his own Black Nationalist group and proclaimed among other things that the blacks should arm themselves against the whites to combat racial discrimination . . .**

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**2**—After the break with Elijah Muhammad, Malcolm sought recognition with leaders of other Negro factions in New York. Here he joined in a four-way handshake with Congressman Powell, Rev. Galamison, leader of the school boycotts, and Gray, a left-winger and organizer of the Harlem rent strikes . . .





**3**—A few months after Malcolm quit the Muslims, their 'Prophet' Elijah came to Harlem and drew a capacity crowd. But a place of honor on the speaker's

platform that once had been Malcolm's was now occupied by the verbose heavyweight boxing champion Cassius Clay (at left)...





**4**—During Elijah's address, calling for non-violent separation of white and black Americans, his followers spotted David Whetstone, whom they believed a follower of Malcolm. The angry crowd dragged Mr. Whetstone (arrow) out into the street at 5th ave. and 143d st. and beat him unmercifully . . .



**5**—Then, only a week ago yesterday, the differences between Negro extremists exploded into violence. Fire bombs were thrown into the windows of Malcolm's East Elmhurst, Queens, home. No one was hurt, but Malcolm X was grim and angry as he stepped from

his auto to survey damage. Malcolm said he realized he was a marked man and he planned to identify the killers. He charged Elijah Muhammad with giving orders for his murder. Malcolm said when your time comes, your time comes . . .



**6**—And someone did murder Malcolm yesterday afternoon as he spoke to a rally in the Audubon Ballroom, 166th st. and Broadway. Dying he is carried away on a stretcher. Two gunmen pumped more than twelve bullets and four shotgun pellets into him as he was about to speak—and so the violent end of the quick, stormy Malcolm X, the racial extremist.



ELIJAH MUHAMMAD AND CASSIUS CLAY  
*Stand Together After Break with Malcolm X*



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# Vengeful Blow For Malcolm X? 5 Firemen Hurt

By DONALD R. FLYNN, RICHARD BARR  
 and GUS ENGELMAN

*Journal-American Staff Writers*

Multiple explosions shattered and set aflame the Harlem Mosque of the Black Muslims early today.

The three-alarm fire reduced the building to smoking rubble in an apparent stroke of quick and violent revenge for the assassination of Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X. **LITTLE**

The widely-feared retaliation came at 2:15 a.m. when a series of blasts ripped Elijah Muhammad's Mosque No. 7 at 102 W. 116th st., where the Black Muslim "prophet" maintained New York headquarters on the fourth floor.

## AVALANCHE OF BRICKS

A roaring fire swept the building almost at the instant of the blasts. Tons of bricks crashed onto two fire trucks in a roaring avalanche when the wall along W. 116th st. collapsed shortly after 3 a.m.

Apparently, fire bombs were thrown through an open fourth floor window from the roof of an adjoining building.

Six persons were injured—five firemen and one civilian. One fireman was in critical condition.

Fire Chief John T. O'Hagan and Chief of Detectives Lawrence W. McKearney both immediately labeled the fire and explosions "suspicious."

Asked if it appeared to be re-

taliation for the brutal murder of Negro Leader Malcolm X, Chief O'Hagan replied:

"I wouldn't be surprised. It seems logical. All our top investigators are here."

A shopping bag containing kerosene rags was found on the roof of an adjoining building at 113-15 Lenox ave., by two patrolmen.

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Eight Negroes were rounded up in the area, which is a gathering place of Black Muslims, and were being interrogated in a temporary police headquarters set up in the Hollywood Bar & Grill across from the mosque at W. 116th st.

The explosions ripped the mosque "like a shot," one witness said.

"We heard this terrific

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"boom!" said Ptl. Robert De-Kladt, who was one of the four policemen guarding the mosque in fears that this very thing might happen.

"We looked up," he said, "and saw flames at the top of the building. Then the windows blew out and flames came shooting out of the empty windows."

#### OUT OF CONTROL

The flames roared three stories high from the roof within minutes. It roared out of control until 4.20 a.m., gradually gutting all four floors, which collapsed in a charred jumble.

The blast came less than two days after Malcolm X, who once was a minister of the mosque but defected to set up his own religious group, was shot to death during a public gathering in the Audubon Ballroom at 166th st. and Broadway.

Only yesterday, his sister Ella vowed in Boston that:

"He will be avenged!"

This threat was echoed by Leon 4X Ameer, 31, of Boston, heir-apparent to leadership of Malcolm X's movement.

"We are going to repay them for what they did to a Malcolm," he declared here last night before the bombing.

"There will be maximum retaliation."

He blamed Elijah Muham-



**BLAST VICTIM . . .** Fireman Siegfried Newman injured by falling debris at the Muslim Mosque blast and fire, is aided by two companions while awaiting an ambulance. *Journal-American Photo by Len Morgan*

mad for the killing of Malcolm and said of Elijah:

"I don't know if he'll live out the month."

Ameer also casually said

that he, himself, does not expect to live too long. The Black Muslims, he said, "are gonna kill me."

The mosque was blasted des-

pite three policemen stationed inside the locked entrance, and another patrolman walking beat outside.

The mosque explosion prompted police immediately to double the security guard at the second-floor offices of Malcolm X's Muslim Mosque Inc. at the Hotel Theresa, 125th st. and 1st ave.

James Shabazz, Malcolm's secretary and now acting head of his movement, arrived at the office early today. Evidencing neither shock nor sorrow, nor any concern over the incident, he calmly stated:

"I just read about it. I have not statement to make."

Asked if he was concerned by the possibility that the late Malcolm's followers might be accused in the incident, he replied:

"That's all. I have no statement to make about it."

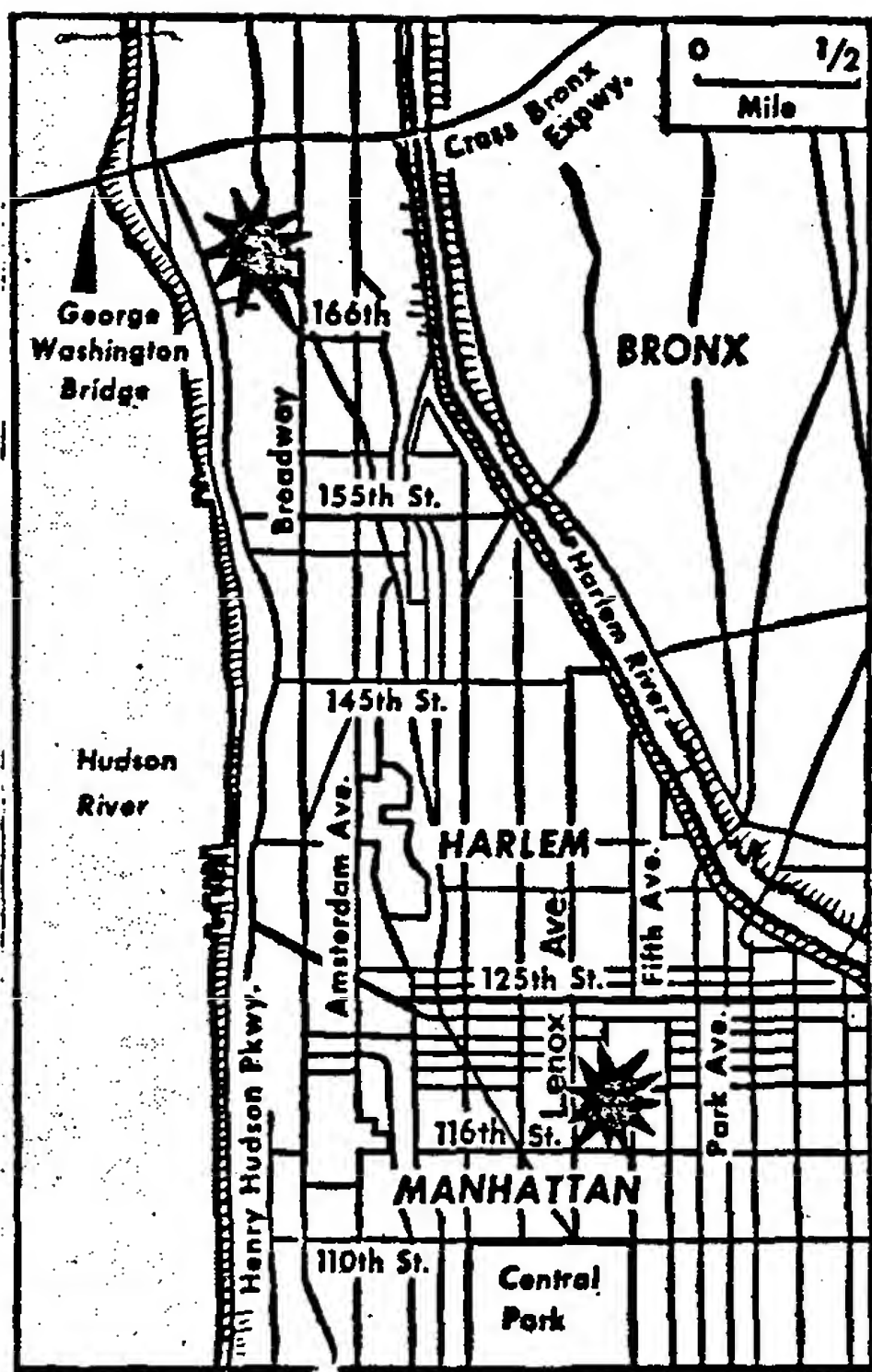
#### PLOT IS SEEN

James Lawson, president of the United African Nationalist Movement and a veteran black nationalist, called the mosque burning part of "a well calculated and diabolical plan" that "would benefit the Communists more than anyone else."

Calling on "all people to cease and desist from all acts of violence," Mr. Lawson said:

"The police and investigative authorities should not rule out that this may be the beginning of a series of acts unleashed by Peking-oriented Communists. It does not have to be the result of a feud between followers of Muhammad and the late Malcolm X."

"I believe the police should have protected the Muslim property with more thoroughness."



**VIOLENCE . . .** Blast symbols on map show where Malcolm X was assassinated, at 166th st. and Broadway, and where the Black Muslim Mosque was blown up, at 116th st. and Lenox ave. AP Map

Mr. Lawson also criticized police protection should not have been used as an excuse by police. The fact is a man can express intent.

"The fact Malcolm refused to commit suicide in this town

and police don't just let him die."

By the time firemen reached the scene, the fire was beyond control, quickly destroying the fourth-floor. It tumbled through into the vacant third floor, and finally the whole thing crashed to the ground.

The second floor was also vacant, and there was a store on the ground floor.

A Black Muslim meeting was held in the mosque last night, but broke up at midnight. After that, said police, no one was seen entering or leaving the building.

But Chief McKearney said it was possible for some one to enter unseen from the building next door on Lenox ave., where the kerosene-staked rags were found.

None of the eight men being questioned were labeled "suspects" as such.

"Everybody is to be questioned," declared Chief McKearney.

#### RAGING INFERNO

More than 100 firemen battled the raging inferno in 15-degree weather, becoming gradually coated with ice. Two firemen were aloft in an aerial basket, pouring water down into the shell of the building.

There were no indications whether anyone was strapped inside since there was no chance to search it before the fire roared out of control.

The blaze attracted a throng of spectators who heard the blast or saw the flames. But they didn't stay long in the frigid night air.

"I heard the explosion," said one elderly Negro woman. "I thought, 'Oh, my God, this is it!' and I threw myself down on the floor."

Another man, a member of the Muhammed Temple of Islam, the official name of the mosque, said the headquarters had been jammed earlier for the meeting and scores would have been killed if a bomb had exploded then.

"Man, the place was packed," he said.

The mosque was established here by Malcolm X upon orders from Elijah Muhammad, the self-anointed "prophet" of the Nation of Islam.

Malcolm broke with Elijah a year and a half ago and established the Muslim Mosque, Inc., in the Hotel Theresa. He had long predicted that he would be murdered by the Black Muslims because of the defection.

The bloody killing of Malcolm and the fire-bombing of Mosque No. 7 compounded fears of bloody internecine strife among Negro nationalists here and in Chicago, home base for Elijah Muhammad.

#### MOSQUES GUARDED

Immediately after the explosion, two Elijah Muhammed mosques in Queens were put under heavy police surveillance.

Uniformed police on foot patrol covered the mosque at 105-05 Northern blvd., Corona, and another at 119-09 Sutphin blvd., in Jamaica.

A radio alert also was broadcast, ordering cruising police "to be on the alert for possible acts of vandalism." The mosque in Corona is near the former home of Malcolm at 23-11 97th st.

#### HEAD INJURIES

The most seriously injured in the Harlem explosion was Fireman Ziegfried Newmann, 27, of Hook and Ladder Co. 43, who suffered severe head injuries when he was caught in the rain of bricks when the wall collapsed. He was admitted to Harlem Hospital in serious condition.

A civilian, Melvin Shelton, 34, of 349 W. 85th st., also was





Heavy police guard stands watch outside the Unity Funeral Home, 2352 Eighth ave., where the body of the slain Malcolm X reposes.

UPI Photo

admitted to the hospital for treatment for cuts of the right hand caused by flying glass.

Fire Lieut. John Fedjack, 50, also of Co. 43, was treated at the hospital for a sprained right wrist. Three other firemen were treated at the scene for minor injuries.

#### PROBE CONTINUES

The new outbreak of violence came as police continue their intense investigation into the execution of Malcolm, and as the Negro leader's grieving wife completed plans for his funeral.

Mrs. Betty Shabazz, hurt and bitter over her husband's murder, made official identification of the body yesterday, cradling weeping.

But she walked from the chief medical examiner's office at 520 1st ave. and quickly composed herself.

The body is at the Unity Funeral Home, 2352 8th ave., and friends may call from 2:30 p.m. until 11 p.m. today through Friday. The body is under a glass shield, dressed in a business suit.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in a church still to be selected, but probably in Adam Clayton Powell's Abyssinian Baptist Church at 132 W. 138th st., the largest in Harlem.

Burial will be in Ferncliff Cemetery in Hartsdale, Westchester County.

Mrs. Shabazz said she put off the services until Saturday, waiving a Muslim tradition that the sun should never set twice on the body of a believer, so that dignitaries from Africa may have enough time to get here. She expects several, she indicated.

Mrs. Shabazz, meanwhile,

was under police guard in the home of friends at an undisclosed location.

"Malcolm's wife has refused our offer of protection," said Insp. Thomas C. Renaghan. "She feels she is not in any danger."

But it was reported she is under guard nevertheless.

"She is still quite upset, and has not been able to tell us much," said Insp. Renaghan. "We have no knowledge of any names or any pieces of paper with the names of the killers on it that she or Malcolm may have had."

#### ASK COOPERATION

"If any person has any such list of names," he added, "we would be very happy to cooperate with him. It would be a great help if we could get such information."

The only suspect in custody

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thus far is Talmadge Hayer, 22, who remains in the Bellevue Hospital prison ward, his shattered left leg in traction and a bullet still lodged in the same leg.

A second man in custody is Malcolm X's "bodyguard," Reuben Francis, 33, of 871 E. 179th St., Bronx. He was charged with felonious assault and Sullivan law violation after police said he fired the bullet into Hayer's leg during the riotous pandemonium that erupted when Malcolm was killed.

#### HIGH BAIL SET

Francis was held in lieu of \$10,000 bail yesterday by Criminal Court Judge Walter Gladwin. An affidavit signed by Det. Ferdinand Cavallaro alleged Francis fired at Hayer from the second-floor landing of the Audubon Ballroom, 166th st. and Broadway, moments after Malcolm was slain Sunday afternoon.

Hayer suffered a broken ankle before he was rescued and dragged to safety by police after Malcolm's followers pounced on him in a furious attack.

Of Hayer, Insp. Renaghan said:

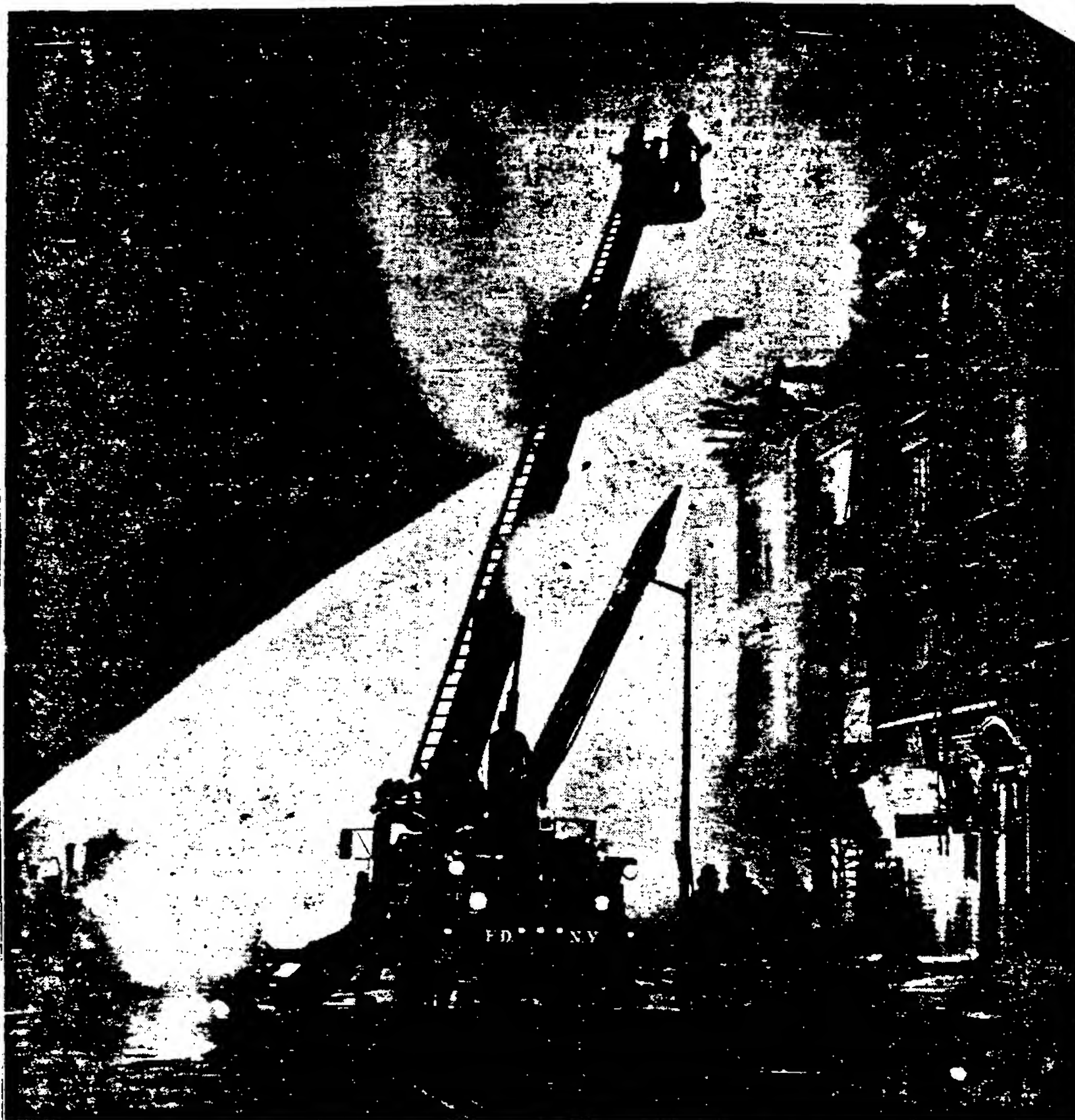
"He has not told us anything significant yet. It is possible

that we may charge him with first-degree murder. If this happens, we may be able to get him to tell us something about the others who were with him."

Hayer, alias Thomas Hagan and Thomas Hayer, lives at 347 Marshal st. in Paterson, N.J., where the door was slammed in the face of a reporter who went there to inquire about him.

According to New Jersey authorities, Hayer was arrested on Nov. 8, 1963, on a charge of possession of stolen property.

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**BLACK MUSLIM MOSQUE ABLAZE:** Uncontrollable flames pour from the Harlem headquarters of the sect after Malcolm X avengers apparently had hurled fire bombs through windows. Here, the roof gives way while firemen fight to contain the flames. (Full Page of Photos on Page 21. Another Photo and Map on Page 4.) — Photo by Tom Mangelsen, Copyright 1965, The Journal-American

# *Avengeurs at Work? Muslim Mosque Blaze*



**BLACK MUSLIM MOSQUE—THE CAVE-IN:** Firemen battle the flames early today pouring from the building, at 116th st. and Lenox ave., in which the roof has caved in, bringing with it part of the wall, after an explosion and fire . . .



**BLACK MUSLIM MOSQUE—THE RUBBLE:** And the huge pile of bricks and mortar from the caved-in wall has toppled onto fire engines, injuring five firemen, and covers the fire hoses as it is strewn all over the street. (Other Photos on Pages 1, 4 and 5.)

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# Malcolm Jailed as Hub Thief

Malcolm X was a member of a burglary gang that operated in Greater Boston until he was arrested and sentenced to 8-10 years in Charlestown State Prison in 1945.

Born in Omaha, Neb., as Malcolm Little, the son of a Baptist minister, Malcolm X first arrived in Boston to live with a half-sister when he was 11 years old, after running away from a detention home in Michigan.

Malcolm's half-sister now resides with her daughter in a South Shore community and is on welfare. She last saw the Black Nationalist leader three years ago when their aunt died in Boston. It's also reported he has a sister living in Boston.

Authorities said he obtained a railroad job when he was 15 and eventually wound up in Harlem, selling and smoking marijuana and leading a life of crime.

It was after his training in Harlem that he returned to Boston as a member of the burglary gang which resulted in his being arrested.

## LIFE IN DANGER

In stories concerning his youth, Malcolm X once said that he continued smoking marijuana and drinking alcohol in prison for several years until he met another inmate who reformed him.

He then started to read serious works and his language became an obsession with him. He was converted to the Black Muslim cult in 1952 after serving in Charlestown State Prison.

Leon Ameer, former secretary to Heavyweight Boxing Champ Cassius Clay, said Malcolm X predicted last week that he would be shot and killed in the near future.

Ameer, presently living in a Boston hotel, said he met Malcolm X last Monday to discuss the future of their Black Nationalist organization.

Ameer said Malcolm X told him to be cautious because his (Ameer's) life also was in danger, since he was a top aide in the group.

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# THE MALCOLM X MURDER: *Expected* *Death, Not By His Own*

## Preached Hatred Of the 'White Devil'

By DONALD R. FLYNN and STANLEY ROBERTS

*Journal-American Staff Writers*

Malcolm Little of Omaha, Neb., who became Malcolm X of the world, knew he would one day be killed violently, and accepted this fate as the price of leading Negroes against the "white devils."

He sounded like a man courting martyrdom, and found it ironically enough in Harlem, the Negro capital of America, delivered by his own kind.

"I know that any day, any night, I could die at the hands of some white devil racist," he wrote in his memoirs, "The Autobiography of Malcolm X."

"I dream that one day history will look upon me as having been one of the voices that perhaps helped to save America from a grave, even possibly fatal catastrophe."

That might be what Malcolm X meant to be his epitaph. What the world will really think of him cannot yet be told. The fact that he will be remembered at all is remarkable, considering his background and the road he was once traveling.

### Boasts of Demand as Speaker

From a "zoot-suiter," a cocaine addict and a jailbird, he rose to become a leading spokesman for "separatism," the creation of a separate nation for American Negroes.

From an ignorant "hipster," he transformed himself into an articulate leader, and was able to boast that he was the second most sought after speaker in the United States. Barry Goldwater was first at that time.

He often said he became a racist from the womb, because his grandmother was raped by a white man. That was how he got his red hair and light complexion that he prided himself on as a youth but came eventually to hate as a stain.

"I hate every drop of that white racist's blood that is in me," he declared.

He was born in Omaha on May 19, 1925, the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Earl Little. The Rev. Little was a follower of Marcus Garvey, who preached a "Back to Africa" message to Negroes. And thus, Ku Klux Klan riders smashed the Little home and forced them to move to Lansing, Mich. There, the Little home was burned down by racists, Malcolm wrote.

The Rev. Little died in 1931, bludgeoned and thrown under a street car, according to Malcolm. These shocks, and the desertion of a common-law husband after that, eventually broke the mind and spirit of Mrs. Little, Malcolm related, and she has been in a state mental hospital since the early 1930s.

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### 'Like a Pink Poodle'

Malcolm attended Mason High School in Lansing, got good grades and was stunned as the only Negro in the school to be elected class president.

"I was unique in my class, like a pink poodle," he observed later.

Fate sent him to live with a sister in Boston's Roxbury section, the Harlem of the Hub City, and into a life of a shoe-shine boy in a dance hall.

He soon learned that the real job was selling marijuana cigarettes. Malcolm took it up himself, and moved into the "cool world."

A job on the Yankee Clipper train between Boston and New York brought him finally to "The Big Apple" and his

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own dream world—Harlem. He became a waiter in Small's Paradise on 7th ave., but was fired when he arranged for a soldier to meet a prostitute. The soldier was a "spy"—a "black tool of the white man."

Malcolm became a full-scale "hustler," selling "reefers"—marijuana. He faked a crazy act to be classified 4-F. Then he slid into robbery to feed his \$20-a-day cocaine habit, and wound up with a 10-year sentence after being caught in Boston.

But the Massachusetts state prison at Charlestown became, for Malcolm Little, a strange sort of monastery. First, he kicked the dope habit, "but even this was only part of the total transformation that was to come over me."

### A Book Changes Him

His brothers and sisters began writing to him about a "new" religion and about its leader, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, who was once himself in prison as a draft-dodger. Malcolm wrote to Elijah and was sent the book which completed the transformation, a tract called "Yacub's History."

This "history" is the "demonology" of the "new religion," and told of how an evil scientist, Mr. Yacub, created the white race from the world's original inhabitants—the black race.

Mr. Yacub was cast out of the holy city of Mecca by Allah as a rebel and "decided, as revenge, to create upon the earth a 'devil' race—a bleached-out white race of people."

This weird "history" was given to Elijah Muhammad in Detroit, Mich., by one "Master W. D. Fard," who is accepted as a god who appeared on earth. He later "vanished," leaving Elijah to carry on.

In his cell, Malcolm Little swallowed this "history" completely. He began trying to convert his hustler friends through letters, and this led him to read the dictionary—from A to Z.

And then came the final touch, a "vision," when he awakened in his cell and saw a man sitting beside me in

my chair." Then the vision vanished.

"Later, of course, I learned that my prevision was of Master W. D. Fard, the Messiah . . ."

### Changes His Name to X

In 1952, Malcolm was released and plunged into the work of Allah in Detroit, where he was paroled in the custody of his brother, Wilfred.

Malcolm joined Mosque No. 1 in Detroit, visited Chicago to meet Elijah, and was awarded his "X," becoming thereafter Malcolm X.

"The X for the Muslim was a symbol for the true African family name that he would never know," Malcolm explained. "It would replace the white-slave-master name which had been imposed upon my paternal forebears by some blue-eyed devil."

Malcolm X rose swiftly, recruiting enough converts to triple the membership of Mosque No. 1 in a few months. He was named assistant minister in 1953, and then moved to Chicago to be trained by Elijah. Once trained, Malcolm X was sent to Philadelphia to establish Mosque No. 12, which also flourished.

And thus, after only a month in Philadelphia, Malcolm X was sent on to establish Mosque No. 7 in New York City. By 1956, it was well-established, but Malcolm never would say what its membership was.

### 'All Witnesses Were Devils'

In January, 1958, Malcolm married "Sister Betty X," driving to his relatives home in Lansing, Mich., for the event.

"An old hunch-backed white devil performed the wedding," he wrote. "And all of the witnesses were devils."

The Littles—or Xs—had four children—Attilah, a daughter named after Attila the Hun ("He sacked Rome," Malcolm explained; Quiblah, a daughter named after Kubla Khan; Ilyasah, a son whose name is Arabic for Elijah, and another daughter, Lamunbah, after the slain Congolese premier Patrice Lumumba.

"I guess by now I will say I love Betty," Malcolm wrote laconically in 1964. By this time the family was living in a home at 23-11 97th st., in Elmhurst, Queens. Over the next several years Malcolm X's reputation spread as the Muslim movement became known in America.

By the early 1960s, rumors spread through Muslim circles of trouble between Malcolm X and Elijah Muhammad. Malcolm declared in his autobiography that the trouble was Elijah's breaking of the Muslim commandments.

### Hails Kennedy's Assassination

Malcolm's account of what developed was that Elijah was afraid of being denounced for his misdeeds, and so looked for an excuse to expell Malcolm. The chance came when President Kennedy was assassinated on Nov. 22, 1963, and Malcolm told a Manhattan Center rally of 7,000 persons that it was a case of "chickens coming home to roost."

"Being an old farm boy myself, chickens coming home to roost never did make me sad; they always made me glad."

For this, Elijah Muhammad suspended Malcolm X and "silenced him for 90 days." The ban was never lifted, however, and Malcolm went his own way. He called a press conference to announce the creation of the Muslim Mosque, Inc., with headquarters in Harlem's Hotel Theresa.

Then, Malcolm realized a dream of many years. He made a pilgrimage to Mecca, also visiting Cairo, Dakar, Ghana, Nigeria and other African nations. He returned home in triumph, overwhelmed with offers to speak all over the nation.

He spoke at Harvard, Yale, Queens College and at many other schools.

### Message of Bullets and Blood

On his own, Malcolm spread the message of blood and violence.

"The price of freedom is blood, and if blood frightens you, then freedom frightens you," was a typical comment.

He set down 1964 as a year of turmoil—bullets and blood.

"There will be more violence than ever this year," he proclaimed in March of 1964. "White people will be shocked when they discover that the passive little Negro they had known turns out to be a roaring lion."

"If it's necessary to form a Black Nationalist party—or a Black Nationalist army—we'll form it," he thundered. "It's going to be a year of ballots or bullets. And if ballots won't work, bullets will."

Again: "We should form rifle clubs that can be used to defend our lives and our property in times of emergency . . . When our people are bitten by dogs, they are within their rights to kill those dogs."

One of his last major statements came in October of last year when he denounced Elijah Muhammed as a "religious faker," and officially broke with him.

Malcolm also rejected black racism as a doctrine, declaring that he "recognized all men as brothers." Thus, he was moving into the mainstream of liberalism in race relations.

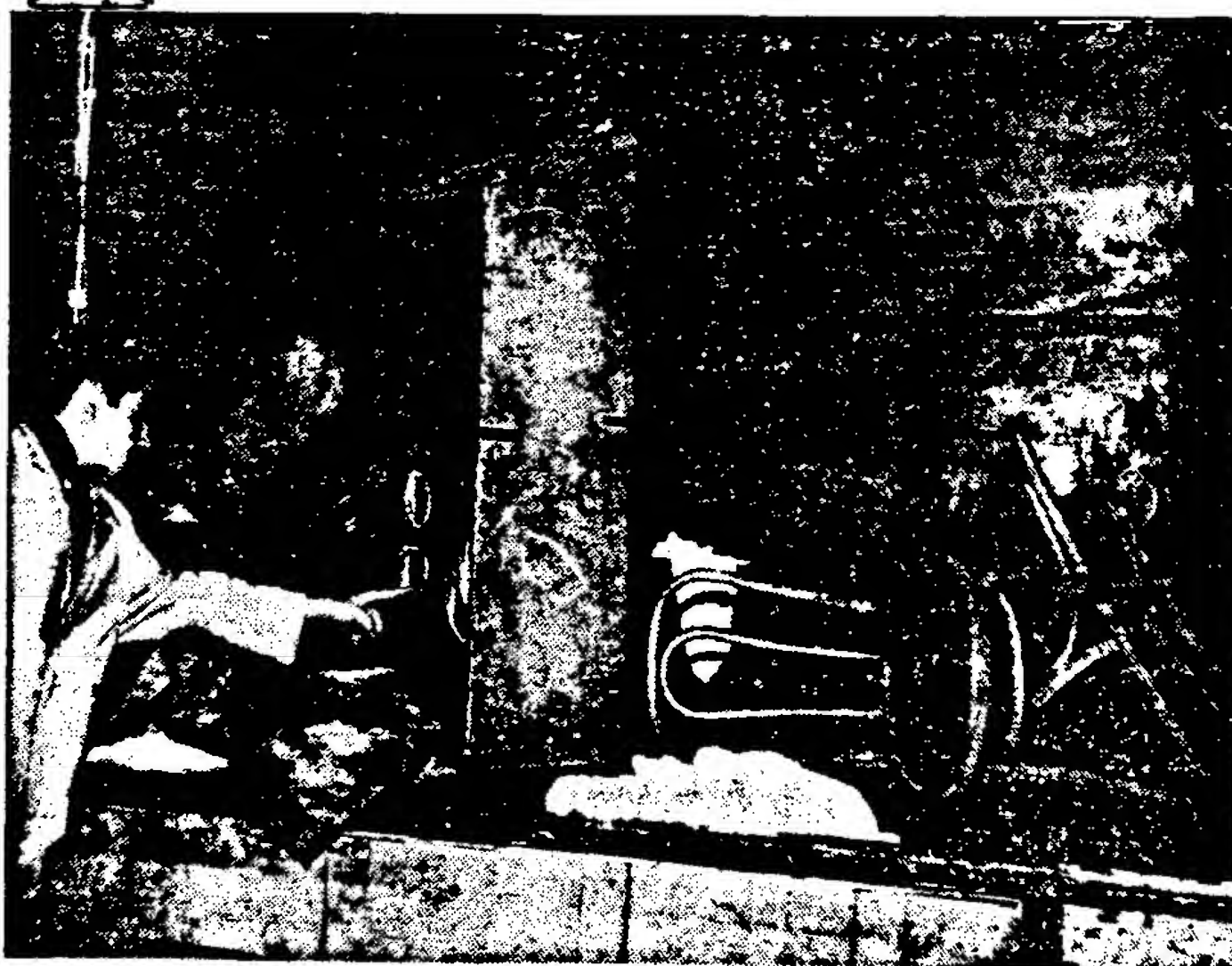
"The well-meaning whites must become less vocal and more active against racism of their fellow whites . . . and Negro leaders must make their own people see that with equal rights also go equal responsibilities."





**STRUGGLING** with policemen is Talmadge Hayer of Paterson, N. J., one of alleged gunmen who slew Malcolm X.

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**BULLET HOLES** in the podium behind which Malcolm X stood are pointed out by a detective.

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**BLUFFED HIS WAY OUT****Driver Tells How Malcolm X Escaped Death in Chase**

This story, never before told, sheds new light on the bloody underground war being fought by rival factions of America's extremist Negro community. Bradley revealed his story to Louis Lomax, Negro reporter and author.

By EDWARD BRADLEY  
(As Told to Louis E. Lomax)

LOS ANGELES (NANA)—I am convinced that members of the Black Muslim sect planned to assassinate Malcolm X when he was here in Los Angeles three weeks ago. I know—because I drove the "death car" during a hair-raising, 70-mile-an-hour chase that climaxed Malcolm's terror-ridden 22-hour stay here.

There is no question in my mind that only quick thinking and a brazen bluff by Malcolm X saved both him and me from being gunned down on a Los Angeles freeway.

I know the Los Angeles Black Muslims and they know me. Some of my best friends are top men in the Los Angeles Mosque. They know every word I say here is true. The Los Angeles police also know it is true. In fact, several members of the Los Angeles plainclothes detail lived through some of the

experience with Malcolm X and me. I cannot say the Black Muslims killed Malcolm in New York last Sunday. I can say they were out to get him.

It all started late in the afternoon of January 26. I received a phone call from Allen Jamal, a close personal friend and a former member of the Los Angeles Black Muslim temple. Jamal told me that Malcolm was coming to Los Angeles on the 28th; Jamal's car was in the repair shop and he asked me if I would act as Malcolm's driver while he was here. I have known Malcolm for almost ten years; I considered him a personal friend, and so I agreed.

Jamal and I arrived at the Los Angeles Airport just in time to meet TWA flight No. 9 from New York at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the 28th. However Malcolm's flight was late and while Jamal and I were waiting

we saw a Negro man whom we later discovered was John Ali, national secretary of the Black Muslims, sitting in the terminal lounge. Malcolm's plane was diverted to another gate and this is the only thing that prevented a dramatic confrontation between Malcolm and Ali, Malcolm's one-time close friend and convert.

Jamal and I drove Malcolm immediately to the Statler Hilton Hotel. Jamal and Malcolm got out of the car and entered the hotel to register. I gave my car to a hotel attendant for parking and then followed Jamal and Malcolm in

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to the hotel. But as I was entering the hotel a car bearing six Black Muslims, including Ali, drove up to the hotel. I know they were Muslims because two of the men are longtime acquaintances of mine. They are John Shadazz, the minister of the Los Angeles mosque, and Captain Edward 2X (Sherrill), head of the Fruit of Islam of the local mosque. They spoke to me and asked why I was at the hotel. I told them I was there to meet a friend. After another pleasantry, the Muslims entered the hotel, leaving one member standing guard at the hotel entrance.

By this time Malcolm had checked into Room 1129. Malcolm and Jamal came down on the elevator and walked across the hotel lobby just as the Muslim entourage entered the lobby. I was just behind the Muslims and they and Malcolm

came within ten feet of each other. The Muslims were stunned; Malcolm's face froze but he never broke his gait. It was clear that the Muslims did not know Malcolm was in town until that moment. Later events proved that the entire scene was but a dramatic coincidence. Ali had flown in from Chicago on temple business and just happened to have landed within minutes of Malcolm and they both just happened to be registered at the same hotel.

We rushed Malcolm to my car and drove to the two ex-secretaries to the honorable Elijah Muhammad, leader of the Black Muslims, who have filed suits saying the Muhammad is the father of their four children. Malcolm's main purpose in visiting the women was to warn them that they had been marked for assassination by the Black Muslims. Now that the

Muslims knew he was in town, Malcolm became apprehensive. He repeatedly told Jamal and me that the Muslims were determined to kill him.

He was so concerned, in fact, that he would not enter the home of the two women, as he was certain they, too, were being watched. Instead, he sent Jamal ahead on foot and had the two women and their children meet us several blocks away from the house.

#### Visited Attorney's Office

Malcolm and the two women visited the office of attorney Gladys Root. I was not in on the conference but Malcolm later told me that he warned both Attorney Root and the two ex-Muslim women that they were in grave danger.

Malcolm, Jamal, the two women and I had dinner together that evening. I took Malcolm back to his hotel about midnight. Black Muslims were all over the place. They were parked in cars on all sides of the streets. Some were on foot. They had the Statler completely surrounded. Malcolm sized up the situation and told me that he was going directly to his room and that he would stay there until I contacted him the following morning. Before getting out of the car, Malcolm warned me that I, too, was now in danger and that I should exercise extreme caution. Then Malcolm bounded from the car and dashed into the hotel.

Meanwhile, the two ex-Muslim women were taken home under police guard. Muslims were staked out at their home and two of them were arrested on the spot.

Early the next morning I received word from contacts I have inside the Los Angeles Black Muslim movement that once Malcolm's presence here was discovered the Muslims had called an emergency meeting of the Fruit of Islam.

#### Believed to Be Musclemen

The Fruit are the strong men of the temple and are believed to be musclemen. My contact told me that the Fruit were given orders to get Malcolm, Jamal and me.

I called Malcolm at 9 the next morning to say that I was on the way to pick him up for a round of appointments. Malcolm told me that Muslims had the hotel surrounded and that I should watch my step. He also said that he had received several threatening calls during the night. I arrived at the hotel a half hour later and saw Muslims standing on street corners pretending to be looking into store windows, and selling newspapers. Parking regulations prevented them from stopping near the hotel, but I saw at least two carloads of Muslims patrolling the area.

Shortly after I entered Malcolm's room the phone rang.

"Yes?" Malcolm answered.

"Nigger," the voice said, "You are dead; you are a dead Nigger."

Malcolm hung up the phone and put his head in his hands for a moment of silent thought.

"It's too dangerous," he said to me finally. "I'm not going to make any further visits on this trip. Let's stay in the room and call whom we can by phone and then get out of town."

#### Talked in Phone

For the next two hours Malcolm and I telephoned—and received calls from—warring members of the Los Angeles Black Muslim mosque. Some of the top men in the mosque talked with Malcolm at length

and I am convinced that he was on the verge of capturing a substantial following from the local temple.

Malcolm made a reservation to leave for Chicago on TWA Flight 26 at 12:30.

"This is all that I have to protect myself," Malcolm said to me as he brandished a zip gun disguised as a decorated fountain pen. "It only shoots one bullet," Malcolm continued, "but at least I'll take one of them with me."

I then called the police. I talked with Lt. Phillips of the intelligence department and informed him that Malcolm and I were headed to the airport and asked for protection. Phillips promised to have his men waiting for us at the TWA terminal.

"I never thought there would be a day when I would call Parker (the Los Angeles police chief) for protection," Malcolm said after I hung up the phone. "The last time I was in Los Angeles, Parker's men had gunned down some of our brothers and I gave Parker hell. The irony is that I now must call upon him to protect me from my former brothers."

#### Trailed by Two Cars

As Malcolm and I left the hotel we were trailed by two cars, both loaded with Black Muslims. By zig zagging and executing several U-turns, I was able to elude one of the cars but the second car followed us onto the freeway. As we fled down the freeway at 70 miles an hour, Malcolm talked of the Black Muslims and of his own aspirations:

He was determined to set up a true Moslem organization among American Negroes.

He was determined to strengthen the tie between the American Negro and the nonwhite people of the world.

He said he had evidence that the Black Muslims' movement was being financed by a very wealthy white Texan.



But most of all he talked of himself; that he was a man marked for death.

We watched through the rearview mirror. The carload of Muslims was gaining on us. I took the far, left lane of the freeway and the Muslims inched alongside to our right. Fear struck my heart; I knew they meant business. I expected any moment to see their car window lower and a volley of shots blaze toward us. I drove like a madman but the Muslims kept pace.

#### Used Cane as "Gun"

Then Malcolm acted. He reached on the floor of my car and picked up a walking cane I had been carrying since a back injury several months ago. Malcolm then lowered the back window of my car and lifted the cane as if it were a shotgun and aimed it at the Muslims who were then almost directly alongside us. The Muslim driver suddenly reduced his speed and fell into traffic behind us.

I swerved across the freeway and headed for the nearest exit. The Muslims became tangled in traffic and could not follow us up the exit ramp. We were then about five minutes from the airport and our rendezvous with the police detail was still a half hour away. The Muslims had seen Malcolm check out of the hotel; they saw him put his bag in my car; they had followed us down the freeway toward the airport. We were certain they knew where we were going. We were determined not to enter the airport terminal without police protection.

We stopped at a roadside cafe

to while away the minutes before the scheduled meeting with the police. Malcolm, though tense, chatted with the white waitress who recognized him immediately. Meanwhile, I called Lt. Phillips and discovered that the police detail was already at the airport waiting for us.

Malcolm and I were ushered into the terminal by eight plainclothesmen. The TWA security men were also on hand. As Malcolm was purchasing his ticket, two Black Muslims came into the terminal marching in lock step. As if in military cadence. "Those are Muslims," one of the policemen said excitedly. "I recognize one of them. They call him Jingles."

"Watch them," Malcolm said quickly. "They are decoys. They were sent here to divert attention while the real killers do their work. Look for black men dressed like laborers or something like that. That is the way the killers will be dressed. Those two men there are decoys."

It was this precise use of decoys that accomplished Malcolm's death last Sunday.

#### Outflanked Officers

The two Muslims marched directly toward us. The police moved forward to intercept them. The Muslims executed a half right, then a half left, thereby outflanking the officers. The two Muslims then took up observation posts some 50 feet from us as the police formed a protective cover. TWA officials rushed Malcolm and me into a small office and then led us to his plane through the underground cabbage chute. I saw Malcolm onto the plane and said goodbye.

"I am a marked man," Malcolm said to me. "I'm ready to die. I just don't want them to hurt my family."

Malcolm and I had missed death by inches and we knew it.

Now Malcolm is dead. As I write this, unrest contorts the Negro community from coast to coast. Fear and panic have invaded the Black Muslim organization here, and I am certain there will be trouble when the Muslims meet in Chicago for their annual convention this weekend. Whatever happens, I am further convinced that the Black Muslims are doomed. In death, Malcolm X has accomplished what he could not do in life.

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## Muslims Enraged by 'Sneak Attack'

By PAUL L. MONTGOMERY

"It was a vicious sneak attack," said Joseph X.

"That's right," said the dozen Black Muslims clustered around him.

"The worst thing a man can do is tamper with your religious sanctuary," said Joseph.

"That's right," said the men in the hot, crowded storefront office.

"We are Muslims," said Joseph. "We all know we have to go sometime. We just want to go like Muslims."

"That's right."

Two blocks farther down Lenox Avenue, at 116th Street, a hose fixed to a fire truck's aerial ladder was throwing water on the smoking, ice-festooned ruin of Muhammad's Mosque No. 7, the Black Muslim headquarters in New York.

At 2:15 A.M. yesterday fire had raced through the fourth-floor meeting hall, destroying its interior and that of the Gethsemane Church of God in Christ on the floor below. Police later found a five-gallon gasoline can, a brown shopping bag stained with gasoline and some oily rags on the roof of an adjacent building.

The fire, termed "definitely suspicious," came a day and a half after Malcolm X, who had left the Black Muslim movement to form his own black nationalist movement, was shot to death in the Audubon Ballroom, in upper Manhattan.

"I would say we expected something like this," a Harlem resident said yesterday as he leaned on a police barrier and looked with little interest at the ruined mosque. "I would say these cats are going to be scratching until there's not but one of them left."

Joseph X, a Black Muslim spokesman, said that the followers of Elijah Muhammad, leader of the Black Muslims, had alternative meeting places in mosques at 120 Madison Street, Brooklyn, and 105-05 Northern Boulevard, Queens.

As Joseph was talking in the office of Muhammad Speaks, the movement's newspaper, at 153 Lenox Avenue, the news came over the radio of a bomb threat at the Unity Funeral Home, where Malcolm's body is on view. "Now they'll be accusing us of that, too," Joseph said.

Throughout the day barricades were set up at 115th

Street on both sides of the avenue. Buses were rerouted and the 116th Street IRT subway station was closed until 3:40 P.M. There were about 60 policemen in the area directing traffic and the small crowds that gathered at the barricades.

Eyewitnesses differed about the fire's beginning. Some, including several policemen guarding the mosque entrance, said they had heard an explosion or explosions. But Mrs. Louise Washington, who lives on the top floor at 111 Lenox Avenue, one door down from the mosque, said she had heard nothing.

She said she and her husband did not know there was a fire until a policeman knocked on their door.

A man in a bar, who did not wish to be identified, gave this account:

"Man, I've seen some fires but this one was like no fire I ever saw. First there's this little crash, you know, but real quiet. Then it say VOOOOM! The flames came straight up in the air and straight out over the street. Then the smoke—like this oil smoke, you dig?—it rolls out slow and then drops down slow, like it was falling. Man, I just stood there hypnotized."

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# RAM Hand Seen

## in Muslim Ravage

By WILLIAM FEDERICI, EDWARD KIRKMAN and HENRY LEE

The assassination of Malcolm X, dissident Black Muslim leader, and the fire-bombing of an orthodox Muslim temple in Harlem less than 36 hours later, probably were the work of a third, even more fanatic Negro hate group, top police and federal investigators told THE NEWS last night.

As more violence threatened in Negro communities across the country, these sources disclosed that the Revolutionary Action Movement, dedicated to organized violence, had long plotted to pit the aging Prophet Elijah Muhammad against the fiery Malcolm X and thus focus world attention on the problems of the American Negro.

Organization, known as RAM, includes hard-core young Muslims, from both the prophet's and Malcolm's organizations, who dream of a global black revolution. RAM is masterminded by Robert F. Williams, turncoat North Carolina Negro now working for Communist Cuba and China. He conceived the plot to bomb the Statue of Liberty, the Liberty Bell and Washington Monument.

### Financed by Crime

RAM, headquartered in Philadelphia and strong in Detroit, Chicago and Cleveland, became active here only about six months ago.

Since then, police have known that guns and ammunition were being poured into Harlem. According to an FBI report which THE NEWS had access to, RAM has apparently completed its first phase of recruitment and education for ideological warfare. Now the outfit is believed concentrating on financing—through strikes, seizures and other means—and "direct action" against the American system through acts of violence.

Support for this explanation of the assassination and bombing came indirectly from James Farmer, CORE director. He said he was not involved in the murder of Malcolm X, a political killing with racial implications.

Farmer said most people are jumping to the conclusion that the Muslims were re-

Farmer said Malcolm had come to believe the whites could make a significant contribution to the Negro drive for equality and be their allies and supporters.

### International Plot Seen

"It is significant that he was struck down as his views were changing," Farmer said.

Farmer, who called for a White House investigation, expressed his conviction that Malcolm X's death "was an international plot, although the executioners themselves weren't foreign agents."

Similarly, James Lawson, president of the United African Nationalist Movement, called the Harlem mosque bombing a "well-calculated and diabolical plan" that "will benefit the Communists more than anyone else."

### Witnesses Reluctant

The investigation "should not rule out that this may be the beginning of a series of acts unleashed by Peking-oriented Communists," he said. "It does not have to be the result of a feud between the followers of Muhammad and the late Malcolm X."

Although Malcolm X was assassinated Sunday afternoon in view of 500 of his supporters,

What are the facts?

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Assistant Chief Inspector Joseph Coyle said witnesses have not been helping the police.

"When the heat is off, we expect some of these people will come forward," Coyle said at the Wadsworth Ave. station, where the investigation is concentrated.

"As of now, I don't think they feel secure."

Coyle said that Talmadge Hayer, 22, the one suspect captured, has refused to talk to police. He is in the Bellevue Hospital prison ward. He was assertedly shot by Malcolm's bodyguard Reuben Francis, 33, who is being held in \$10,000 bail on charges of felonious assault and Sullivan Law violation.

Coyle refused to say whether police knew the identities of two other assailants who sprayed Malcolm X with some 16 bullets and shotgun pellets, two of which pierced his heart.

#### Bomb Threats Phoned

"We've never gotten much cooperation from the Black Muslims the Black Nationalists," he said. "But we're making some progress. We're seeing a little of the dawn."

As hundreds of police reinforcements, both uniformed men and detectives, poured into Harlem from Brooklyn, Queens and the Bronx, there were threats of further violence.

Several bomb threats were received at the Unity funeral home, 2352 Eighth Ave., at 126th St., where Malcolm's body will be on display daily until Friday in a

\$2,000 burnished copper coffin with a full-length glass cover. The funeral is scheduled tentatively for 10 A.M. Saturday.

Police searched all persons entering the funeral home and inspected floral wreaths delivered there. Dozens of uniformed cops were posted near the two-story building, some of them on the roof.

According to Joseph E. Hall, director of the parlor, a man he knows said he had overheard talk that a bomb would be tossed. Armsted Barrett, assistant manager, got a phone call from a woman who said: "I overheard three men say they are going to blow up the funeral home." A third caller said:

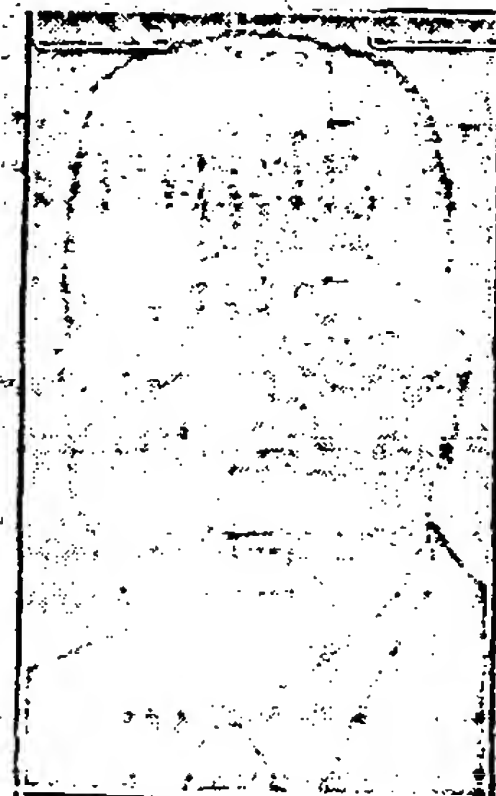
"Malcolm X's body will never be buried. It will be cremated by fire bombs."

#### Tossed From Roof

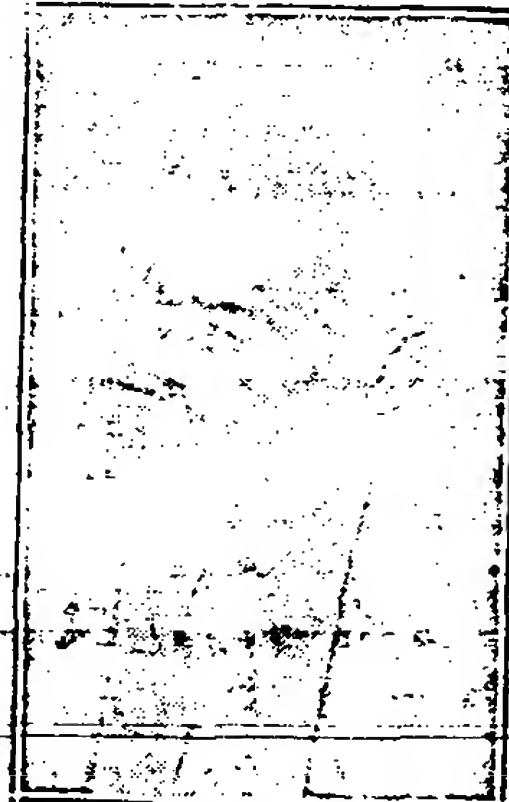
Investigation of the blast which destroyed Muhammad's Temple of Islam No. 7, 102 W. 116th St., early yesterday, disclosed that a Molotov cocktail had been tossed into the fourth-floor from the roof of the building. Police said they recovered an empty five-gallon can on the roof next door at 113 Lenox Ave., there were traces of gasoline in it, but they could recover no fingerprints.

Hereafter, police said, members of the Tactical Patrol Force will be posted on the roofs of two other mosques in Corona, Queens, and one each in Brooklyn and the Bronx.

Five firemen and a bystander were hurt in the three-alarm fire and blast that occurred at 2:15 A. M. The mosque had been Malcolm X's headquarters when he was still a follower of the Elijah



Robert F. Williams  
Dedicated to violence



James Farmer  
Suspects international plot



**Sharpshooters Guard Harlem Mortuary**

# CORE Chief: Malcolm's Death Plotted Abroad

NEW YORK, Feb. 24 (UPI) — Police sharpshooters lined surrounding rooftops today in a vigil against threatened violence at the Harlem funeral home where the body of slain Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X is on public view.

The investigation of Malcolm's assassination and yesterday's fire-bombing of the Black Muslim headquarters mosque in Harlem took on new overtones with the claim by civil rights leader James Farmer that the killing was "political" and masterminded overseas.

## NOT THE MUSLIMS?

Mr. Farmer, National Director of the Congress of Racial Equality, said:

"I doubt seriously if the Black Muslims murdered Malcolm. There is something far greater than the Black Muslims involved." He called for a White House investigation.

"I am convinced the killing was an international plot, altho the executioners themselves weren't foreign agents," he said.

Mr. Farmer said it did not seem "accidental that his death came at a time when his views were changing" toward "the mainstream of the civil rights movement."

## THOUSANDS

In less than four hours last night, more than 2000 persons filed past the glass-covered, bronze coffin of the tall, bearded militant Negro leader whose fiery voice was silenced Sunday as he addressed a Harlem rally.

All visitors and floral tributes were carefully searched by police before being allowed inside the mortuary. Several telephoned threats that the mortuary would be bombed were received.

The funeral is scheduled for Saturday.

New York police pressed their investigation amid mounting



—UPI Telephoto

The entrance to the Black Muslim mosque offices in Harlem is a shambles yesterday after fire and explosion rocked the building.

fear of a nationwide vendetta between Malcolm's Black Nationalists and the rival Black Muslims, whom the Nationalists blame for Malcolm's death.

Following the destruction of the Muslim Mosque in Harlem, Chicago police increased their guard on heavyweight champion Cassius Clay, a prominent Muslim, and Muslim leader Elijah Muhammad.

Mr. Clay said he would not go into hiding for fear of his life and if he is the intended target of assassins "I am here — they can come and get me."

He said he would fight a scheduled eight-round exhibition at the Muslims' national convention Saturday.

Security forces were also built in San Francisco, where a Muslim Mosque was slightly damaged by flaming kerosene.

Paterson, N. J., which has a large concentration of Muslims, also increased police details. Paterson is the home of Talmadge Hayer, 22, arrested as a suspected member of the three-to-five member team which killed Malcolm.

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NEW YORK--POLICE INDICATED TODAY THEY HAVE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE  
 FIVE-MAN ASSASSIN TEAM THAT MURDERED NEGRO EXTREMIST MALCOLM X  
 IN FRONT OF 400 WITNESSES SETTING THE STAGE FOR A POSSIBLE VENDETTA  
 BETWEEN HIS RENEGADE FOLLOWERS AND THE BLACK MUSLIM CULT.  
 ONE OF THE SUSPECTED ASSASSINS WAS SHOT AND CAPTURED AT THE  
 SCENE OF THE SLAYING. POLICE PRESSED TO FIND THE OTHER FOUR  
 BEFORE NEGRO COMMUNITIES FROM COAST-TO-COAST EXPLODE INTO  
 MORE VIOLENCE.

OMINOUSLY ABSENT FROM THEIR FAMILIAR HAUNTS IN NEW YORK'S  
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THERE WERE REPORTS THAT "HUNDREDS" OF THE BLACK NATIONALIST  
 EXTREMISTS WERE CONVERGING ON CHICAGO TO INFILTRATE THE BLACK  
 MUSLIM CONVENTION THAT GETS UNDERWAY FRIDAY. LEON AMEER,  
 THEIR APPARENT NO MALCOLM'S ORGANIZATION, SAID HE WOULD BE  
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# Malcolm X

## Slaying Called Tragedy for All

The assassination of Malcolm X in New York Sunday was a "great tragedy" for all free-thinking Americans, according to Roy E. Wilkins, a Negro civil rights leader.

Speaking last night to about 500 Georgetown University students, Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) said that, although most Negroes disagree with the philosophy of the Black Nationalist leader, "assassination was not the answer."

Wilkins said he did not consider Malcolm X a friend of the civil rights movement but respected his right as an American to express his own philosophy as to the future of the Negro race.

"The Black Muslim organization turns its back on the American way of life . . . they are not tied to the American dream of freedom and equality," Wilkins said. "But when Malcolm X broke away from the Muslims and headed the Black Nationalists, he began to learn something about white people."

"We will never know if this changed his way of thinking and if he eventually would have come into the civil rights camp," Wilkins said.

When asked by a reporter later if he thought the assassination would start a bloody feud between the two Negro extremist groups, Wilkins said no.

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(MALCOLM X) Little

WASHINGTON--CARL T. ROWAN, HEAD OF THE U.S. INFORMATION AGENCY, SAID TODAY THAT THERE HAVE BEEN "A HOST OF AFRICAN REACTIONS" TO THE SLAYING OF MALCOLM X THAT HAVE BEEN BASED ON "MISINFORMATION AND MISREPRESENTATIONS OF THE ISSUES INVOLVED."

AS ONE EXAMPLE, HE CITED THE COMMENT OF THE DAILY GRAPHIC, ACCRA, CAPITAL OF GHANA. THE PAPER SAID "THE ASSASSINATION OF MALCOLM X WILL GO DOWN IN HISTORY BOOKS AS THE GREATEST BLOW THE AMERICAN INTEGRATIONIST MOVEMENT HAS SUFFERED SINCE THE SHOCKING ASSASSINATIONS OF (MURDER) EVERS AND JOHN F. KENNEDY."

ROWAN DECLARED THAT "THIS WILL COME AS RATHER STARTLING NEWS TO THOSE NEGRO LEADERS WHO KNOW THAT MALCOLM X AND HIS FOLLOWERS PREACH NOT INTEGRATION, BUT BLACK SUPREMACY AND THE SEPARATION OF THE NEGRO."

THE USIA DIRECTOR, A NEGRO HIMSELF, DISCUSSED THE EFFORTS OF HIS AGENCY TO PRESENT THE FACTS SURROUNDING SUNDAY'S KILLING OF THE 39-YEAR-OLD MILITANT BLACK NATIONALIST. HE SPOKE BEFORE THE AMERICAN FOREIGN SERVICE ASSOCIATION HERE.

ROWAN SAID "WHEN FIRST I HEARD OF MALCOLM X'S DEATH, I KNEW THAT THERE WAS REAL DANGER OF IT BEING GROSSLY MISCONSTRUED IN COUNTRIES WHERE THERE WAS A LACK OF INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT ACTUALLY HAD TAKEN PLACE, WHAT MALCOLM X WAS, WHAT HE STOOD FOR, OR WHAT WAS BEING ESPOUSED BY THOSE NEGROES."

WITH WHOM MALCOLM X WAS IN CONFLICT. b7C

"THUS I ASKED MY COLLEAGUES IN THE AGENCY TO DO AN EXTRA-ZEALOUS JOB OF GETTING OUT THE FACTS, OF INFORMING THE WORLD IN ORDER THAT WE MIGHT MINIMIZE DAMAGING REACTIONS BASED ON EMOTION, PREJUDICE AND MISINFORMATION."

HE SAID THAT ALTHOUGH A ZEALOUS JOB WAS DONE "IT HAS NOT BEEN ENOUGH TO PREVENT A HOST OF AFRICAN REACTIONS BASED ON MISINFORMATION AND MISREPRESENTATIONS OF ISSUES INVOLVED."

"MIND YOU," HE SAID, "HERE WAS A NEGRO WHO PREACHED SEGREGATION AND RACE HATRED, KILLED BY ANOTHER NEGRO, PRESUMABLY FROM ANOTHER ORGANIZATION THAT PREACHES SEGREGATION AND RACE HATRED--AND NEITHER OF THEM REPRESENTATIVE OF MORE THAN A TINY MINORITY OF THE NEGRO POPULATION OF AMERICA."

HE QUOTED THE DAILY TIMES OF LAGOS, NIGERIA, AS SAYING "MALCOLM X HAS FOUGHT AND DIED FOR WHAT HE BELIEVED TO BE RIGHT. HE WILL HAVE A PLACE IN THE PALACE OF THE MARTYRED."

THE GHANAIAN TIMES DESCRIBED HIM

THE GHANAIAN TIMES DESCRIBED HIM AS "THE MILITANT AND MOST POPULAR OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN ANTI-SEGREGATIONIST LEADERS."

OUTSIDE OF AFRICA, IN PAKISTAN, THE KARACHI NEWSPAPER HURRIYET CALLED MALCOLM X "A GREAT NEGRO LEADER" AND THE PAKISTAN TIMES SAID "HIS DEATH IS A DEFINITE SETBACK TO THE NEGRO MOVEMENT FOR EMANCIPATION."

ROWAN ADDED: "ALL THIS ABOUT AN EX-CONVICT, EX-DOPE PEDDLER, WHO BECAME A RACIAL FANATIC."

"I CAN ONLY CONCLUDE THAT WE AMERICANS KNOW LESS ABOUT WHAT GOES ON IN THE MINDS OF OTHER PEOPLE THAN WE THOUGHT, OR THE NEED TO INFORM IS EVEN GREATER THAN WE IN USIA THOUGHT IT TO BE."

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# MALCOLM'S SLAYER IS HUNTED

By Maurice C. Carroll  
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The man who heads the massive investigation into the murder of Malcolm X said yesterday police were "on the right track" toward solving the case.

Assistant Chief Inspector Joseph L. Coyle said there was "no break imminent" but he added, "I hope to have a break in the very near future."

There were rumors that police knew the names of five men who murdered the dissident Black Muslim leader at a Harlem meeting Sunday. Inspector Coyle would not comment on the stories.

There were rumors that pictures had been taken outside the meeting, pictures perhaps of the assassins. Inspector Coyle again declined comment.

A brief anxious flurry began in Chicago when a truck drove up with a large crate addressed to Muslim leader Elijah Muhammad. The driver said it was a grandfather's clock. The police bomb squad investigated. They found the crate contained a grandfather's clock.

In New York it was announced that Muslim rites would be held for Malcolm X at 9:30 a. m. Saturday in the Faith Temple Church of Christ, 1764 Amsterdam Ave., conducted by the pastor, Bishop Alvin A. Childs, and there was soon another of the threats that have come to seem inevitable in the angry days since the murder. Some-



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**EMBITTERED MOURNER** leaves funeral home where Malcolm X was on view in Harlem yesterday.

one telephoned the pastor's wife and said, "If Malcolm's funeral is held there we will bomb the place."

Police were stationed to forestall escalation of the violence in the world of Negro fringe groups that began with the murder and was followed by the burning of Black Muslim Mosque No. 7 at 102 W. 116th St., set afire Tuesday in apparent reprisal.

Fearful that the next blow might be struck against Malcolm's mourners, police posted a heavy guard around the Unity Funeral Home, 2352 Eighth Ave., where his body lay on public view beneath a glass shield in a bronze coffin.

Sharpshooters were stationed on rooftops, plainclothes law-

men mingled with the crowd, barricades were set up across the street as well as in front of the two-story building. Walkie-talkie communication linked the security forces.

This was the most obvious police concentration in a Harlem area that was flooded with police, and will remain so at least until the funeral on Saturday.

The mourners who filed past the casket in a second-floor room were silent. The body was clad in a charcoal gray suit, white shirt, red tinted brown tie. White cotton gloves covered the hands. The dark-rimmed glasses that Malcolm had worn in recent years were absent.

The first of the day's bomb

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threats there came from a male telephone caller at 1:05 p. m. The mourners were cleared out briefly for a search.

In Chicago, too, headquarters of the Black Muslim organization from which Malcolm split early last year, there were extraordinary police precautions. The mansion of Muslim leader Elijah Muhammad was watched. Police searched the Coliseum, where some 6,000 Muslims are to gather for a week end convention at which Elijah Muhammad is to speak twice.

Telephone callers warned that bombs had been planted there and one said 100 men were headed to Chicago to avenge Malcolm's murder by killing Elijah. "We have arrived. Muhammad will have a lively convention," one caller threatened.

Wherever the secretive Muslim sect had sites across the nation police were alert to halt a spread of the violence that started last Sunday when Malcolm rose to address some 400 persons in the Audubon Ballroom, 166th St. and Broadway, and was murdered by a shotgun and pistol fusillade.

Early Tuesday in apparent retaliation for the murder, the main Muslim mosque in Harlem, the mosque that Malcolm had headed when he was Elijah Muhammad's top assistant, before their split, was fire-bombed into rubble by someone who appeared to know his business.



WATCHFUL POLICEMAN stands outside the Unity Funeral Home, where the body of Malcolm X lies, on guard. against violence as mourners file past near Eighth Ave. and 126th St.

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## U.S. Probers Report No Red Links Or World Politics in Malcolm Case

Communists are not involved in the Malcolm X case, nor is there any evidence that the murder of the Negro nationalist has international complications, Federal investigators said yesterday.

• That Communists were behind the killing and subsequent burning of the Harlem mosque of the Black Muslims, from which Malcolm had defected.

An official spokesman denied the contention of James Farmer, national director of CORE, that the murder of Malcolm in Harlem last Sunday was a "political killing" with international complications.

• That an extremist group called the Revolutionary Action Movement instigated the murder and arson to focus world attention on American Negroes.

Farmer had said he was asking President Johnson to launch a Federal investigation of the killing.

• That Robert F. Williams, an American Negro who went to Cuba and Communist China and recently was reported in Canada, was directing extremist tactics in Negro communities in America.

The Federal spokesman also said there is no evidence at all to substantiate the following widely circulated reports: The spokesman said the FBI had turned all its information over to the New York

police in the investigation of the Malcolm case. It is known that the FBI has voluminous information about the Black Muslims and the rival organization that was headed by Malcolm, as well as about other, smaller extremist groups.

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# Lesson Cited in Malcolm X Violence

By VIRGINIA PREWETT

NEW YORK — Afro-Cubans with a ringside seat at the U. S. Negro movement's civil war warn white Americans not to take too much comfort because the black extremists are fighting each other.

"This is just a dress rehearsal — good practice for your black terrorists," says an anti-Castro Afro-Cuban exile. "Once they decide the battle for control of the black extremists' multi-million dollar racket, they'll be ready for the real action."

These experienced observers are also convinced there are many more terrorist cells in the U. S. similar to the mixed group arrested recently by the New York City police for plotting to blow up the Statue of Liberty.

**BACK IN 1960**

"All this began in the autumn of 1960 when Fidel Castro came to the UN and took up residence in Harlem," say the exiles. "Today there is a terrorist network made up of the wild hotheads of several organizations — the Fair Play for Cuba group, especially in Canada, the American black extremists and those students who visited Cuba."

This network has an underground railroad in and out of the U. S. via Canada to Cuba and communist centers of Europe and Asia. It has "safe houses" along the way like the official spy organizations, and training camps with equipment worthy of James Bond.

The Afro-Cubans close to the situation comment bitterly on the U. S. press treatment of the situation. Reports that Malcolm

X was gunned down because he was not violent enough to suit Castro's American Negro handy-man, Robert Williams, draw wry laughs.

"Malcolm X called for an American Mau-Mau and he never recanted," says a dark-skinned Cuban. "He was getting to be too much of a world figure. He'd soon have had all the extremist black mafia's racket in his control. He had to die."

These savvy veterans of the world's ideological struggle deplore the way the New York press treats the situation.

**MALCOLM X**

"Since Malcolm X got killed," commented one, "New York's press and radio have brought on a very different picture of him from the one they had built up before."

"Imagine how the black people feel to see Malcolm X, the hate leader, described as 'winsome' in the press, a cheerful, joke-cracking fellow who probably didn't believe in violence after all. We get the idea that he was really cheerful, loyal and true — just another American Boy Scout, and the highly respected friend of some of your leading commentators."

The Afro-Cubans whose lives have been crushed in the big machine on which Malcolm was beginning to be a big wheel see American whites as living in a dream, with reality coming thru only as kind of TV drama.

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## Malcolm Image Hit by Rowan

By the Associated Press

Carl Rowan, U.S. Information Agency director, says some African newspapers are portraying Malcolm X as a martyred integrationist hero instead of as "an ex-convict, ex-dope peddler, who became a racial fanatic."

Said Rowan, a Negro, "Mind you: Here was a Negro who preached segregation and race hatred, killed by another Negro, presumably from another organization that preaches segregation and race hatred—and neither of them representative of more than a tiny minority of the Negro population of America."

Rowan told a Foreign Service Association meeting yesterday that the Malcolm X case is an example of why the information agency is needed.

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(MALCOLM X) Little

WASHINGTON--PRESIDENT KWAME NKRUMAH OF GHANA HAS TOLD THE WIDOW OF MALCOLM X THAT THE WORK OF THE SLAIN BLACK NATIONALIST LEADER "IN THE CAUSE OF FREEDOM SHALL NOT BE IN VAIN."

THE NKRUMAH MESSAGE, RELEASED TODAY BY THE GHANAIAN EMBASSY, EXPRESSED "PROFOUND SHOCK" AND "DEEPEST CONDOLENCES" AND SAID:

"YOUR HUSBAND LEFT A LIFE OF DEDICATION FOR HUMAN EQUALITY AND DIGNITY SO THAT THE AFRO-AMERICAN AND PEOPLE OF COLOR EVERYWHERE MAY LIVE AS FREE MEN."

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# Misshapen Flowers

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**M**ALCOLM X, the man, is dead.

But he is survived by his Harlem, the ghetto which created him and shaped him. The fact that he has been murdered solves nothing. It will not make life easier in America for anyone — white or black.

Others preaching the identical or similar doctrines are certain to rise out of the poverty and misery that is Harlem, that is Atlanta, that is Chicago, that is Houston. Somewhere, at this very moment, in a dozen angry minds, the idea of becoming the next Malcolm X is taking form.

Who it will be, and where it will be, I leave to historians to record. Take 15,000,000 seeds, cultivate them with the calloused hand of indifference, nurture them with despair, water them with injustice, and another misshapen human flower is certain to bloom.

I have never been concerned about Malcolm X in particular as much as the frustration, hopelessness, bitterness and despair which he exemplified.

He belonged to the past. His dream was for a separate black state, for two nations within one — an issue which was resolved at Appomattox Courthouse a century ago.

As such, like the Back-to-Africa Movement sponsored by whites in the 1830's, or of Marcus Garvey's in the '30's, his "answer" came a century late. America's Negro citizens, the first of whom arrived here as slaves the year before the Mayflower, are here

**By Whitney M. Young Jr.**

to stay and to claim their twin birthright — liberty and freedom from the country to which they have given so much in blood, sweat and tears. To do otherwise would be to make a hollow empty mockery of all their forefathers fought and sometimes died for.

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In central Harlem, where Black Nationalism is probably strongest, 232,000 persons, nearly all of them Negro, are packed into 3 and one-half of New York City's 319 square miles.

The population density is more than 100 persons per acre; narcotics addiction is nearly 8 times as high as the rate for the entire city; murders occur 6 times as frequently; and 40 per cent of the people are housed in tenements built before 1900.

The median family income is only \$3480 a year, compared to \$5103 for the city. Training opportunities are few. Family instability is high. Half the children under 18 years of age do not live with both parents; by the time a child has reached the eighth grade his scholastic level lags about 2 and one-half years behind the city average.

These figures must cry out to America. The nation must reorient itself not to punishment for crimes committed, but to ways of crime prevention.

In the broader sense, Malcolm X is our victim. We are as guilty and responsible for his death as we are for the death of a president. It will not do to condemn the violence which killed him, or the violence he espoused, until we have wiped out the misery and ignorance which produces violence.

Malcolm X is dead. But he is survived by his Harlem, the same today as yesterday, the way white America created it.

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# Harlem Stores Threatened: Close Down for Malcolm

By Albin Krebs

Of The Herald Tribune Staff

A militant Negro group yesterday threatened Harlem merchants with boycotts unless they close their businesses at 3 p. m. today and remain closed over the week end "in respect for" slain Black Nationalist Malcolm X.

Muslim funeral services for Malcolm will be held at 9:30 a. m. tomorrow in the Church of God in Christ, a one-story structure at the northeast corner of Amsterdam Ave. and 147th St. that was converted from a movie theater 15 years ago.

The body of the one-time member of the Black Muslim sect remained in Unity Funeral Home, in a glass-shielded bronze casket, and by late afternoon yesterday, more than 2,000 persons had viewed it. Heavy morning rains did not deter the mourners.

The funeral home received another anonymous bomb threat. "You had better get that body out of there by tomorrow or we'll blow up the place," said a telephone caller.

Police continued a heavy guard around the funeral home, at 2352 Eighth Ave., and around the Church of God in Christ, also the subject of bomb threats yesterday.

Bishop Alvin A. Childs, pastor of the church, which is Pentecostal, said he offered use of the worship house "as a humanitarian gesture." As a result, he said, there had been anonymous bomb threats against him, his family and his home, as well as the church.

Thousands of handbills were distributed in Harlem yesterday threatening reprisals against merchants who failed to bolt their doors beginning at 3 p. m. today.

Police said some store owners had received oral warnings that "if you don't close down by 3 p. m. you won't be in business at 3:30." There were also reports some merchants had been approached for involuntary "donations" of cash and merchandise for the family of the 39-year-old Malcolm, shot down by five gunmen in the Audubon Ballroom last Sunday.

The mimeographed handbills were put out over the signature of something called the Federation for Independent Political Action, 139 W. 125th St. Jesse Gray, the Harlem rent strike leader, makes his headquarters at that address and he was an organizer of the FIPA.

The handbill warned that stores that do not close will be "showing contempt for our community and especially our bereavement over our beloved Malcolm." *XO/ITL E*

The handbill said the stores along 125th St. "river to river" should close from 3 p. m. today and not reopen until Monday "in respect for Malcolm and

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in observance of what he meant to our community and all oppressed people."

A spokesman for the Uptown Chamber of Commerce said the Chamber has asked the police for protection for 125th St. merchants and were promised that 150 extra men would be assigned to the street beginning today.

A spot check of stores on the street, Harlem's main crosstown thoroughfare, revealed most chain stores planned to remain open. Several merchants said they "don't know" whether they will heed the handbill warning.

The police, hopeful Wednesday that a break would come soon in their search for the assassination team that cut Malcolm down, were having difficulty yesterday locating persons who witnessed the shooting. Police said they had even been unable to arrange an interview with Malcolm's wife, although they believe she may have important information.

Deputy Chief Inspector Thomas Pendergast, overseeing police details in Harlem, said "we have to be ready for anything. It will be like this until after the funeral."

Malcolm's half-sister, Mrs. Ella May Collins, left her Boston home last night and was accompanied here for Malcolm's funeral by her son, Rodnell, 20.

She told a Boston press conference that she will serve as "caretaker head" of Malcolm's Organization of Afro-American Unity until a successor can be chosen. "No one can fill Malcolm's shoes," she said.

Malcolm X was a top leader of the Black Muslims, headed by Elijah Muhammad, until his defection more than a year ago. His followers in the OAAU claim Muhammad's faithful killed Malcolm. Muhammad has denied it.

A national convention of 6,000 Black Muslims was to begin in Chicago today, with Muhammad scheduled to address at least two sessions in the Coliseum. A spokesman for him said yesterday "there's a conspiracy against the Black Muslim sect."

Police and the FBI in Chicago have received many anonymous tips that an attempt will be made on Muhammad's life during the convention. Yesterday they continued to check reports that at least 100 "Malcolm men" were on their way to Chicago to kill him.



Herald Tribune photo by JOSEPH GAZDAR

A CONVERT, Tommy X of Yonkers, said he broke with Elijah Muhammad after Malcolm X was shot. Here he displays his feelings outside the funeral home.



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(MALCOLM)

NEW YORK--THE MORTAL REMAINS OF ASSASSINATED BLACK NATIONALIST LEADER MALCOLM X WERE CONSIGNED TO EARTH TODAY IN A WEIRD MIXTURE OF QUIET ISLAMIC DIGNITY AND PARTING GESTURE OF HATE TOWARD THE WHITES BY SOME OF HIS FOLLOWERS.

AS MALCOLM WAS LOWERED INTO HIS GRAVE AT SUBURBAN FERNCLIFF CEMETERY, SOME OF HIS FOLLOWERS BANISHED THE WHITE GRAVE DIGGERS AND, TAKING SHOVELS IN HAND, TOSSED EARTH ATOP THE BURNISHED COPPER CASKET.

"WE WON'T LET WHITE MEN BURY HIM," ONE OF THE FOLLOWERS SAID. "WE'LL BURY HIM FIRST, MAN."

MALCOLM, A NEGRO WHO LED A VIOLENT AND SEEDY LIFE TO BECOME A MILITANT HATER OF WHITE PERSONS, WOULD HAVE LIKED THE GESTURE.

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# HARLEM IS QUIET AS CROWDS WATCH MALCOLM X RITES

Murdered Leader of Cult Is  
Eulogized as Believer in  
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POLICE GUARD IS HEAVY

600 Pack Church—Throngs  
Outside Hear the Moslem  
Service Broadcast

By MARTIN ARNOLD

Malcolm X, a black nationalist who had told Negroes they must meet violence with violence, went to his grave yesterday eulogized as a man who died believing in the brotherhood of man.

Several thousand people jammed the sidewalks in the bitter cold and about 600 packed the Christian church where the Moslem services were held.

Hundreds of policemen stood guard during the services. There had been instances and threats of violence after Malcolm was murdered last Sunday, but there was no violence at the services in Harlem or at the graveside in Hartsdale.

Ossie Davis, the Negro actor and playwright, who delivered the eulogy, said: "Malcolm was our manhood, our living black manhood. In honoring him we honor the best in ourselves."

Crowds Line Sidewalk

The funeral service took place at Faith Temple, Church of God in Christ, at 147th Street and Amsterdam Avenue.

Mourners and the curious lined the sidewalks on both sides of Amsterdam Avenue behind police barricades to watch as the procession of friends and relatives moved into the church. Hundreds more pressed against the window panes of the red brick and wooden tenements across the street, or stood shivering on their fire-escapes.

It was all over on the street corners on Amsterdam Avenue, which had been blocked off for traffic from 145th to 149th Streets, and on the rooftops.

The service was scheduled to start at 9:30 A.M., but lines began forming on the east side of Amsterdam Avenue three hours earlier as many tried to assure themselves seats inside.

One, John Davis, a 46-year-old laborer wearing a leopard skin pillbox hat, said: "I knew him as a wonderful man, a great man, a prince of peace, a nobleman. I just want to be here."

There were about 15 white persons in the crowd, and several described themselves as admirers of the slain man.

At 9:20 the doors of the church were opened, and the mourners filed past police guards and husky, dark-suited followers of Malcolm, 20 of whom served as ushers at the service. Large purses and handbags carried by women were searched by the police.

The body of Malcolm X had been taken to the church in a hearse at 1:35 A.M. yesterday—escorted by a dozen police cars—from the United Funeral Home at Eighth Avenue and 128th Street. A total of 22,000 persons had viewed it there since Tuesday.

The bronze coffin was wheeled into the converted movie theater and placed on a platform, draped in dark red velvet, in front of the altar. It was opened, and the first few mourners who got into the church later in the morning were able to view Malcolm's body in a white burial sheet, through a glass lid.

Symbols of Christianity

On the altar, even as the Moslem funeral service was taking place, there remained the bronze symbols of a Christian church, the tithe box, the candelabra, but they were hidden from the mourners by the coffin lid.

To the rear of the altar, 50 newspaper reporters and photographers and television cameramen were jammed beneath two side murals depicting scenes in the life of Christ. Many stood on chairs to get a better view of the service.

The church was lighted by eight ceiling fixtures, each one resembling a mosque, which had been there since it was a movie house.

Around the coffin stood eight uniformed policemen, and to the side were two uniformed policewomen. All were Negroes. Malcolm's widow, Mrs. Betty Shabazz, sat in the second row, a Negro police plainclothesman on either side of her.

A Design of Carnations

There was one floral tribute, carried in by the ushers, a 2 by 3 foot grouping of blood-red carnations, with the Star and Crescent of Islam embossed on it in white carnations.

It was from Mrs. Shabazz, and was addressed to El-Hajj Malik, El-Hajj is the prefix given to any believer who visits Mecca, and Malik was Malcolm's Islamic name.

There was little crying aloud and almost no sobbing throughout the services, which lasted slightly more than hour. Rather, the mourners seemed to be making a determined effort to show no emotion whatever—an effort that was shattered occasionally by applause during the eulogy and several short speeches.

The service was started by Mr. Davis and his wife, Ruby Dee, the actress, reading messages of condolence.

They came from the African-Pakistan-West Indian Society of the London School of Economics, the Freedom Fighters of Ohio, Inc., which called Malcolm the "most misinterpreted, misunderstood man in America," the Michigan Committee for Freedom Now Party; the Los Angeles N.A.A.C.P. Youth Group; the government of Ghana, and the Pan-African Congress of Southern Africa, which hailed Malcolm as "anti-imperialist, anti-colonist and anti-racist."

Speaker Is Applauded

Then Omar Osman, of the Islam Center of Switzerland and the United States, who had said he was one of Malcolm's teachers, told the mourners: "We knew brother Malcolm as a blood brother, particularly after his pilgrimage to Mecca last year."

"The highest thing that a Moslem can aspire to is to die on the battlefield and not die at his bedside," he said to loud applause.

"Those who die on the battlefield are not dead, but are alive." There was more applause and shouts of "right," "right" from the mourners.

While the rite was proceeding inside, the crowd continued to grow outside. "I can't see any of this," said a woman in a black coat. She was standing on the west side of Amsterdam Avenue. Her view blocked by several large trucks from the National Broadcasting Company.

One car, parked in front of the truck, also belonged to a television network. Inside, were several steel helmets, an a Negro woman asked the driver, laughing, "You getting ready for next summer?"

A white girl in her mid-twenties, speaking with a British accent, said of Malcolm: "He was a fascinating man—a remarkably fascinating man. That's why I'm here."

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And Mrs. Lucille Levvy, a Negro, of 282 Lenox Avenue, said: "I'm paying my respects to the greatest black man in this century. He's a black man, don't say colored."

Next to her, standing in the cold, another Negro woman said: "Our heart is broken for the genius we loved. That man was a genius, a true genius. He died for what he believed in."

#### Called Uniting Force

Inside, Mr. Davis was starting his eulogy.

"Malcolm could unite many diverse elements. Those who disagreed with him the most nevertheless followed him," he said.

His voice cracking, Mr. Davis said, "Harlem has come to bid fond farewell to one of its brightest hopes, gone forever."

"Malcolm had stopped being a Negro years ago," Mr. Davis said. An observer could almost feel the audience draw itself in as if to shout before he added: "Malcolm was too big for that. Malcolm had become an Afro-American, and that's what he wanted all of us to be."

"A prince—our own black, shining prince who did not hesitate to die because he loved us so," Mr. Davis said.

At one point Mr. Davis said that an organization calling itself Concerned Mothers was raising money for Malcolm's

widow and ~~four~~ children. "Those who want to continue what you so generously began," he said, should send contributions to the group at Post Office Box 1024, Church Street Station, New York City.

There were about 15 white mourners, although most of them were Negro women.

Among others attending the services were James Farmer, national director of the Congress of Racial Equality; Bayard Rustin, who organized the civil rights march on Washington in 1963; Wally Dukes, the basketball player; Dick Gregory, the Negro comedian who has been active in civil rights demonstrations, and James Foreman, executive secretary of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee.

Many of the mourners had opposed Malcolm.



# Malcolm's Funeral Is Heavily Guarded

NEW YORK, Feb. 27 (UPI) — Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X was buried today with a heavy police guard on hand. He was mourned by hundreds of his followers who hailed him as their "prince."

There was no violence either at the funeral in Harlem—televised live nationally by NBC network—or at the cemetery. Anonymous threats to "fire bomb" the corpse failed to materialize.

The Negro militant whose slaying last Sunday touched off warfare among his followers and the Black Muslims of Elijah Muhammad, was eulogized as a symbol of hope for America's frustrated Negro millions.

Hundreds of police guarded the Faith Temple, Church of Christ, where 600 persons heard Negro actor and playwright Ossie Davis praise Malcolm as "a prince, our own black, shiny prince who did not hesitate to die because he loved us so."

Several prominent civil rights leaders, earlier opponents of Malcolm when he was a lieutenant to hate-preaching Muhammad, showed up to pay their respects. They characterized him as a former racist who became convinced that men of all races could live together after making a trip to the Islamic shrine at Mecca last year.

Among them were James

Farmer, director of the Congress of Racial Equality; John Lewis, chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee; Bayard Rustin, who helped organize the civil rights march in Washington; and comedian Dick Gregory, long associated with the civil rights movement in the South.

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New York policemen stand in front of yesterday's funeral services in Harlem for the baritone as mourners queue up for Malcolm X, slain a week ago today.



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Cassius Clay applauds the arrival of Black Muslim leader Elijah Muhammad at sect's convention Friday.

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### MALCOLM X TERMED STIMULUS TO ACTION

Mrs. Constance Baker Motley, Manhattan's new Borough President, declared yesterday that Malcolm X's death offered New Yorkers "a brand-new opportunity to move in now and lead the people that he attempted to lead into constructive channels of activity."

In broadcasts and interviews assessing the effects of the black nationalist leader's murder, just one week after the killing and the day after his funeral, Negro leaders expressed hope that the interest evoked would focus new attention to continuing Negro frustrations.

James Farmer, national director of the Congress of Racial Equality, charged on radio station WHN that neither Mayor Wagner nor Governor Rockefeller had "done enough" for civil rights.

Bayard Rustin, major organizer of the 1963 civil-rights March on Washington, contended that a decade after the United States Supreme Court outlawed segregated schools, "there are more Negro school children in segregated classes than before," that Negro youths had triple the unemployment rate of whites, that slums had more people, more rats and more violations. Mr. Rustin appeared with Mrs. Motley on WABC-TV.

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### 3 Quizzed on Malcolm

NEW YORK, March 2 (UPD) — Police early today charged two former Black Muslims and a third man with illegal possession of a double barreled sawed-off shotgun. They questioned them about their affiliations with slain Negro extremist leader Malcolm X.

Arrested were John 57X Grey, 29, Cyril 2X James, 18, and Willie Hilton, 18, all Harlem residents.

Police said Messrs. Grey and James admitted being former members of the firebombed Black Muslim headquarters Mosque Seven in Harlem. They said Mr. Grey admitted allegiance to Malcolm, but Mr. James did not.

Mr. Hilton, police said, admitted being an admirer of Malcolm but denied membership in either the Black Muslims of Malcolm's rival group, the Organization for Afro-American Unity.

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## Widow of Malcolm X Speaks With Police About His Slaying

By PETER KIHSS

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Mrs. Betty Shabazz, widow of Malcolm X, met yesterday with detectives investigating the militant black nationalist leader. The meeting was at an unannounced place away from any police office, according to her lawyer, Oliver Sutton.

"She will cooperate fully in giving any information she has," Mr. Sutton said before the meeting. "It is my understanding that she was not herself deeply involved in his movement, but was a typical Muslim housewife without great awareness of her husband's activity. However, she is anxious that the true assassin of her husband be known."

Three fund-raising efforts are going on meanwhile for the widow and her four daughters. Assemblyman Percy Sutton, a Harlem Democrat and Oliver Sutton's brother, said a Malcolm X Family Fund had been set up at the Freedom National Bank, 271 West 125th Street. He called it a long-range effort to support the family until the children have "gained maturity" and to provide them with orthodox Islamic teaching.

A Committee of Concerned Mothers has been formed by Mrs. Sidney Poitier, Ruby Dee, Abbey Lincoln and Mrs. Michael Olatunji to receive contributions here at Box 1024, Church Street Station, or Mrs. Poitier's home in Pleasantville, N. Y.

Assemblyman Sutton said the immediate aim was to buy a home for the family. He said the fund had already received \$1,100, delivered by station WMCA after a radio announcement.

Harlem Protestant leaders have sponsored an Educational Fund for the Children of Malcolm X. Its account is also at the Freedom National Bank. The Rev. W. Sterling Cary, of

Grace Congregational Church, said that the 250 member churches in the Harlem-Upper Manhattan Church Association had been asked to appeal to their congregations for support.

Although Malcolm professed the Muslim faith, Mr. Cary said, the Protestant leaders' effort was justified by his "emphasis on what constitutes manhood," including "the importance of self-defense by Negroes, a pride in their racial heritage and responsibility for self-help."

Mr. Cary held "all of us are responsible for his death inasmuch as we are all involved in perpetuating this kind of culture" in which Malcolm offered solutions unacceptable to many.

Assemblyman Sutton, a Protestant layman, noted yesterday that he had represented Malcolm and his family only in private affairs and never represented his Organization of Afro-American Unity.

Police here and in Chicago continued guarding headquarters of both Malcolm's movement and Elijah Muhammad's Nation of Islam, the Black Muslims from whom Malcolm broke off a year ago.

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. had urged both Muslim groups to meet with him "at the peace table" in an expression of concern over threats of further violence. Dr. King, a winner of the Nobel Peace Prize, made his proposal Sunday in preaching to more than 2,000 persons at Victory Baptist Church in Los Angeles.

In Chicago, Donald R. Gray, 19 years old, was placed under Boys Court supervision for six months. He had been accused of attempting to pick a fight Sunday night with heavyweight champion Cassius Clay.

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The police officers in charge of the investigation of Malcolm's slaying Feb. 21, Assistant Chief Inspector Joseph L. Coyle and Inspector Thomas Renshan, questioned three men last night at the Bathgate Avenue station house in the Bronx. Detectives seized the three in a basement apartment at 597 East 164th Street where an empty 12-gauge double-barreled shotgun was found.

After being questioned for nearly four hours, the three were booked early today and charged with violation of the weapons law.

They were identified as Willie Hilton, 18 years old, of 65 West 127th Street; Cyril 2X James, 18, of 14 East 118th Street, and John X57 Grey, 29, of 2300 Fifth Avenue. The police said that Mr. James and Mr. Grey are former Black Muslims and that Mr. Grey had been a close associate of Malcolm.

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## Muslims Deny Role in Slaying; 3rd Negro Held

NEW YORK (AP)—The Black Muslims have denied anew any role in the murder of Malcolm X in the wake of the arrest here of a third Negro accused of the assassination.

Police said the latest defendant, Thomas X Johnson,

30, of the Bronx, is a strong-arm member of the Black Muslims. He was charged Wednesday with homicide.

Johnson is the second Black Muslim to be accused in the assassination of Malcolm X, 39, the Black Nationalist leader who bolted from the Black Muslims last year and formed his own sect.

Also charged was Norman X Butler, 26, described by police as a Black Muslim "enforcer."

The first man charged, Talmadge Hayer, 22, of Paterson, N.J., has refused to say whether he had any Black Muslim connections.

In Chicago, only a few hours after Johnson's arrest, the eldest son of Black Muslim leader Elijah Muhammad reiterated denial of any Black Muslim blame for the assassination. He said he had never heard of Johnson.

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# 3d Man Jailed In the Slaying Of Malcolm X

By EDWARD DILLON and SIDNEY KLINE

A husky, thin-mustached Black Muslim already under indictment in the shooting of a defector from the movement was arrested late yesterday in the slaying of black nationalist leader Malcolm X.

With his arrest, police sources said they had the three men who pumped 13 slugs into Malcolm X from two pistols and a shotgun on Feb. 21 as he addressed a rally of his followers at the Audubon Ballroom.

The newest prisoner was Thomas 15X Johnson, 30, of 932 Bronx Park South, Bronx, married, a father and a jobless painter.

Said Assistant District Attorney Herbert J. Stern at the W. 100th St. station: "I have ordered him booked for the homicide of Malcolm X, which he perpetrated with others."

## "Not for Nothing"

And from Assistant Chief Inspector Joseph L. Coyle, head of the murder probe, came this comment: "We didn't book him for nothing."

Johnson — tall, personable, dressed neatly in a checked suit, white shirt, black tie and black shoes — was calm during the brief proceedings.

"Do you use drugs?" demanded

desk Lt. Ludwig Mache. "No sir," Johnson replied steadily.

He had been interrogated earlier by Assistant District Attorney Stern in the presence of defense counsel Charles Beavers. Johnson was put behind bars

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(NEWS foto by Leonard Detrick)  
Thomas 15X Johnson at police station yesterday.

pending arraignment today in Manhattan Criminal Court.

Coyle disclosed that Johnson was taken into custody at his home.

"What was his reaction?" a newsman asked.

"He was surprised," said Coyle, smiling.

When arrested on another charge two months ago, Johnson said he lived on Bryant Ave. in the Bronx.

Already held without bail were Norman 3X Butler, 26, an enforcer and a member of the Fruit of Islam, the elite bodyguard of Elijah Muhammed, the Chicago-based prophet of the movement, and Talmadge Hayer, 22.

#### Counsel Protests Delay

Hayer was shot in the leg by a bodyguard of Malcolm X as he fled the ballroom, and is in the Bellevue Hospital prison ward. Butler, held without bail, went before Criminal Court Judge Reuben Levy yesterday for pleading, but the case was put over until tomorrow at Stern's request.

Joseph B. Williams, counsel to Butler, protested heatedly at the delay and later went before Supreme Court Justice John A. Mullen. Mullen agreed to hear argument this morning on a petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Williams had claimed that Butler

had been held too long without bail or hearing.

Charges against Butler and Johnson made them co-defendants in crimes of violence for the second time in less than two months.

On Jan. 6, Benjamin 13X Brown, 31, of 635 Castle Hill Ave., Bronx, a guard at Rikers Island who had left Fruits of Islam Mosque 7 in Harlem to open his own mosque in a store at 1473 Boston Road, Bronx, was shot in the shoulder as he talked with friends outside the mosque.

#### Had Been Warned

He had been warned by former associates in the Harlem mosque not to go off on his own, but had done so anyhow.

Brown told authorities after the attack upon him that he had pulled away from the Harlem group because they were "inclined to violence" and he, personally, was a man of peace.

Much of his recruiting was among young Negro prisoners on Rikers Island.

#### Had Been Out on Bail

Butler and Johnson were arrested and indicted on felonious assault charges in the shooting of Brown and were free in bail when Malcolm X was gunned down. Butler and Johnson, in fact, were scheduled to plead to the felonious assault charge yesterday in Bronx Supreme Court, but that proceeding was adjourned until March because of the more serious charges stemming from the killing of Malcolm X.

THE NEWS established yesterday that Butler, because of the Brown assault, faced possible eviction from his home at 661 Rosedale Ave., Bronx, in Soundview Houses, a City Housing Authority development.

#### File Sent to CHA

Some days ago, Leon Malinowitz, 43, manager of the development, advised Butler that his file had been sent to CHA offices at 250 Broadway for examination.

Last Friday, Malinowitz received an anonymous phone threat that he would be killed because of the pending housing proceedings against Butler. Malinowitz advised police of the Benedict Ave., Bronx, station of the threat and he since has been under police guard. He was too upset to report for work this week and remained in seclusion at his own home.

A CHA spokesman said that housing authority proceedings against Butler would be held in abeyance until court charges against him were resolved.

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## THIRD MAN SEIZED IN MALCOLM CASE

New Suspect in Killing Also  
Faces an Assault Charge

By PETER KIHSS

A third Negro was arrested yesterday on charges of taking part in the murder of Malcolm X, the black nationalist leader, during a rally on Feb. 21.

The new defendant identified himself as Thomas 15X Johnson of 932 Bronx Park South, the Bronx. He had been indicted last month for first-degree assault in the shooting of a Black Muslim defector in a case in which his co-defendant was Norman 3X Butler. Butler is also a suspect in the killing of Malcolm X.

Cary Thomas Jr., a Negro in his early 20's, was held in \$50,000 bail as a material witness in the slaying at the request of a grand jury that has started an inquiry. Assistant District Attorney Robert W. McKeever told Supreme Court Justice Abraham J. Gellinoff that he believed Thomas had been present during the killing and had "vital information concerning the identity of the perpetrators."

The new developments came after Butler's lawyer, Joseph B. Williams, obtained a writ of habeas corpus from Supreme Court Justice John A. Mullen for a hearing at 11 A.M. today on why Butler, held without bail, should not be freed.

In his petition, Mr. Williams asserted Butler had been detained "on a short affidavit made by a police officer based wholly on hearsay" for "almost seven days, which is greatly in excess of 48 hours permitted by law."



The New York Times

**SEIZED FOR MURDER:**  
Thomas 15X Johnson after  
his arrest yesterday in the  
shooting of Malcolm X.

### Charges Called Hearsay

He noted that earlier yesterday he had asked Judge Reuben Levy in Criminal Court for an immediate hearing for Butler, but Judge Levy granted a delay until tomorrow at the request of Assistant District Attorney Herbert J. Stern.

In Criminal Court, Mr. Stern had sought a delay until March 12, the date Judge Levy had set for hearing a felonious assault charge against Reuben Francis, Malcolm's bodyguard. Francis is charged with shooting and wounding Thomas Hagan, alias Talmadge Hayer, the first Negro accused of Malcolm's murder.

Francis's lawyer, Nathan H. Mitchell, had also sought an immediate hearing, charging the prosecution was "on a fishing expedition" and had "nothing substantial in the way of evidence" against his client. Francis is held in \$10,000 bail.

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## 3d Suspect in Malcolm X Slaying: Police 'Didn't Book Him for Nothing'

By Newton H. Fulbright  
 Of The Herald Tribune Staff

A third suspect, a 30-year-old unemployed Negro house painter, was booked by police yesterday on charges of homicide in the slaying last month of black nationalist leader Malcolm X.

The suspect, picked up after he had made an appearance in Bronx Criminal Court on an assault charge, was identified as Thomas Johnson, 30, of 932 Bronx Park South.

Booked by Lt. Ludvik Macho at the W. 100th St. station, the suspect identified himself as Thomas 15 X.

A tall, slender man with a slight mustache, the suspect spoke without emotion, giving his address and answering that he was not a user of drugs. He declined to make any of the three free telephone calls he was advised he could make, and was returned to a station house cell to await arraignment this morning in Criminal Court.

Assistant District Attorney Herbert J. Stern, who interviewed Johnson in the presence of the suspect's attorney, Charles Beavers, would say merely:

"I have ordered him booked for the homicide of Malcolm X which he perpetrated with others."

Assistant Chief Inspector Joseph L. Coyle said, "We didn't book him for nothing."

Beyond that, the authorities refused to say how Johnson was involved in the slaying of the controversial 39-year-old Negro leader, a defector from the Chicago-based Muslim sect headed by Elijah Muhammad.

Muhammad has denied any complicity in the Feb. 21 shooting of Malcolm X, gunned down as he arose to address a rally of his followers in the Audubon Ballroom on the upper West Side.

Immediately after the assassination, Talmadge Hayer, 22, of Paterson, N.J., was arrested and charged with homicide. He was wounded in the leg by a bullet fired by one of Malcolm's bodyguards and remains in the prison ward at Bellevue Hospital.

The second suspect arrested was Norman 3X Butler, who has been described by police as a Black Muslim "enforcer."

Johnson and Butler were arrested after the shooting last Jan. 6 of Benjamin Brown, 31, a Negro corrections officer employed by the Department of Correction. Mr. Brown had broken with the Black Muslims and set up his own mosque. Struck in the shoulder, he is recovering.

Johnson and Butler were scheduled to appear in Bronx



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 Thomas 15X Johnson at his booking yesterday

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"As a matter of fact," the Inspector said, "we didn't know it was his home. Our detectives had been tailing him and when his wife came out they took him."

At the time Johnson was arrested for shooting the corrections officer, he gave his address at 1041 Bryant Ave., the Bronx.

When Malcolm X was slain, police suspected five persons might be involved in the assassination.

In another development, Assistant District Attorney Robert W. McKeever asked Supreme Court Justice Abraham N. Gellinoff to hold Cary Thomas jr., a Negro in his early 30s, as a material witness in the assassination. Bail was set at \$650,000. Mr. McKeever said Thomas had "vital information concerning the identity of the perpetrators." He said Thomas "was actually present in the hall."

Criminal court to plead to an indictment charging them with felonious assault in the attack on the corrections officer. Their appearance was adjourned by Bronx Supreme Court Justice William Lyman when he learned that Butler was appearing at the same time in Manhattan Supreme Court on homicide charges.

Johnson apparently went home because later Inspector Coyle told reporters Johnson was taken into custody at his home, 632 Bronx Park South.

Butler won a round in another development when Supreme Court Justice John A. Mullen signed a writ of habeas corpus calling on the District Attorney to show cause at 11 a. m. today why the suspect should not be freed. Butler, through his attorney, John B. Williams, argued that he was held on "hearsay evidence" in connection with Malcolm X's slaying.

# Killer Accused, Muslim Overlords Here Named

## He Knew Him...

By WILLIAM McFADDEN  
Journal-American Staff Writer

"Norman 3X is capable of shooting Malcolm X—or of doing anything else."

That was the reaction of Benjamin Brown, 31-year-old correction officer, today as he learned of the arrest of Norman 3X Butler as a suspect in the murder last Sunday of Black Nationalist leader, Malcolm X.

## ASSAULTED BY TRIO

Mr. Brown has a personal reason to believe that Norman 3X believes and practices a code of violence.

He was attacked last Jan. 6 as a defector from the Black Muslims, shot in the left shoulder and still is not back at his job on Riker's Island.

Norman 3X is one of three men charged with felonious assault in that case.

## CRITICIZED MALCOLM

Asked if he ever heard Norman 3X talk harshly of Malcolm X, Mr. Brown said:

"Most people talked harshly about Malcolm X. He and I both did."

Mr. Brown added cryptically:

"Now this is beginning to fall into place. The pieces

are beginning to come into light.

But he would not explain that further.

## BELLIGERENT TYPE

He did say, however, that he had known Norman 3X for a year, while they both were members of Fruit of Islam Mosque No. 7, the Black Muslim hall which was fire-bombed Monday.

"He was not a nice fellow to get along with," Mr. Brown said.

"He's the belligerent type. He's the type which knows all the answers. He always had to have the last say."

"As far as I knew, he was a member of the inside group at the mosque. He got outside training and he was the instructor in the art of self-defense."

"I used to go there an average of once a week. He went there all the time."

"I got him a job once, in a factory. That was last Winter. He stayed one week. Then he told me he left because the work was too hard. He's been on relief since then, I think."

After the Jan. 6 attack, Mr. Brown was admitted to Jacob Hospital, Bronx, for treatment. He now is convalescing at his home, 835 Castle Hill ave., Bronx.

The assault case, he said, has not yet come to trial.

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**Norman 3X Butler Stands Between Detectives As He's Booked**  
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## **The Accusation—and the 'Strongmen'**

By DONALD R. FLYNN and GUS ENGELMAN

*Journal-American Staff Writers*

Norman 3X Butler, a Black Muslim "enforcer," was booked on a murder charge early today by police as one of the assassins of Black Nationalist leader Malcolm X.

The 26-year-old Butler, of 661 Rosedale ave., Bronx, was charged at 4 a.m. today with "acting in concert" with 22-year-old ~~Talmdage Hayer~~ in the public murder of Malcolm X last Sunday in the Audubon Ballroom.

Butler was identified by a Black Muslim defector, Leon 4X Ameer, as one of the six top enforcers for the Black Muslims in the Metropolitan Area, and a lieutenant of Capt. Joseph X, the leader of Harlem's Muhammed Mosque No. 7 at 102 W. 116th st.

"From this list of enforcers," Leon 4X predicted, police will most likely find the other three men they want in Malcolm's killing."

The arrest of Butler came only 36 hours after Mosque No. 7 was fire-bombed to rubble in an apparent stroke of retaliation by the followers of Malcolm X.

### **Picked Up at Home**

Butler, who is unemployed and free on \$10,000 bail in another shooting case, was picked up early today at his home and questioned at the Wadsworth ave. station from 1 a.m. until 4 a.m., when he was accused of murder.

"I have ordered him booked for the homicide of Malcolm X," said Asst. Dist. Atty. Herbert Stern at that time.

Mr. Stern and Asst. Chief Insp. Joseph L. Coyle, commander of Manhattan North Detectives, refused to allow Butler to be questioned by reporters.

"This is a very important arrest," Chief Coyle said. "The case is still under investigation. If our investi-

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gation discloses that any more people are involved, we will make every effort to apprehend them."

Witnesses to the slaying at the Audubon Ballroom, 166th st. and Broadway, said there were five men in on the murder, and so three are still at-large if that report is true.

Chief Coyle said Butler "seemed surprised" when picked up at his home. The arrest was "the result of intensive investigation and of questioning many witnesses," the Inspector said.

At Butler's home, his wife, Theresa, said, "Please—I'm too upset. I have no statement to make."

Butler was free in \$10,000 bail on charges of felonious assault and Sullivan Law violation for the shooting of Correction Officer Benjamin Brown, 31, another Black Muslim defector.

Mr. Brown was shot in the right chest with a .22-caliber bullet at 11 p.m., Jan. 8, while walking on Boston rd., Bronx. Butler and two other men, both Black Muslims, were accused of the shooting.

Mr. Brown admitted that he had been a member of Black Muslim Mosque No. 7, and had tried to convert prisoners in his care on Rikers Island to the cult.

But he defected, like Malcolm X, and set up a mosque of his own at 1473 Boston rd., Bronx.

#### SHOT OVER PICTURE

He was shot, he said, both because he had defected and because he refused to take down a picture of the "prophet," Elijah Muhammad, the Chicago-based self ordained leader of the Black Muslims.

Arrested with Butler in that shooting was Thomas Johnson, 30, of 1041 Bryant ave., known as Thomas 15X in the Black Muslims. A third suspect, William Gaines, 27, of 158 N. Elliot st., Brooklyn, known as Willie 1X, is still being sought.

The Black Muslim leader of Muhammad Mosque No. 7 in Harlem, Capt. Joseph X, has insisted that his followers had nothing to do with the murder of Malcolm X or of any other beatings of defectors.

#### BEATEN IN BOSTON

But defector Leon 4X, a top lieutenant in Mosque No. 7 when Malcolm X was in command, and afterward told The Journal-American early today that Butler is one of Capt. Joseph X's lieutenants.

"He is one of the main en-

forcers," said Leon 4X. "He is a lieutenant under Capt. Joseph X, leader of New York Mosque No. 7."

Leon 4X was a Black Muslim until only two months ago when he was viciously beaten by Black Muslims enforcers on Christmas Day in Boston, and decided to defect.

Leon 4X was sent by Malcolm X to form a Black Muslim mosque in New Haven when he was still in the fold, and:

"Norman 3X (Butler) was the one I assigned to take over the teaching of karate at Mosque No. 7 when I left for New Haven," he said. "He's very skilled in karate. I know—I taught him."

Leon 4X also said that Thomas 15X, one of the men accused of shooting officer Brown, is also a lieutenant under Capt. Joseph X.

Thomas 15X, Norman 3X and another Black Muslim "enforcer," Edward 15X, are all lieutenants under Capt. Joseph X, and together they command the Black Muslims in the Bronx, said Leon 4X.

Other "top lieutenants" are Clarence X in Brooklyn, the "top enforcer" and next in line to Capt. Joseph X; Alvan X in Queens, Robert 19X in Manhattan, and Louis 11X in New Rochelle, he said.

All but Louis X are enforcers.

He also asked how Butler, who has no job and no money, could have gone free in \$10,000 bail.

"Now where did he get that money?" Leon 4X asked. "The Black Muslims gave it to him. They have unlimited money."

Butler was jailed in the W. 54th st. station overnight, and was to be arraigned today in Criminal Court.

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## Suspects' Wives Yield & Talk to Mal X Jury

The wives of two Black Muslims accused of assassinating Malcolm X complied with a judge's order yesterday and testified briefly before a grand jury investigating the killing.

On Thursday, they refused to testify, claiming the protection of the Fifth Amendment. Supreme Court Justice Abraham J. Gellinoff then ordered them to talk or have "severe consequences."

### Told to Keep Available

The women were Mrs. Etta X Johnson, whose husband, Thomas X, was arrested Wednesday, and Mrs. Theresa X Butler, whose husband, Norman X, was seized Feb. 26.

The wives were told to keep themselves available for further jury appearances.

The case against the men was adjourned yesterday in Criminal Court until Monday. A third defendant, Talmadge Hayer, is in Bellevue Hospital's prison ward. He was shot during the slaying of Malcolm X.

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### WIVES OF SUSPECTS TESTIFY IN SLAYING

The wives of two suspects in the murder of Malcolm X bowed to the orders of Supreme Court Justice Abraham J. Gellinoff yesterday and testified before the grand jury.

On Thursday the two women, Mrs. Etta 2X Johnson and Mrs. Theresa 7X Butler, declined to answer all questions although they had been granted immunity from prosecution. The two invoked the confidentiality of communications between husbands and wives.

They were returned to the courtroom later, however, where Justice Gellinoff told them this referred only to certain private conversations and acts.

The justice directed the women to answer the questions of Assistant District Attorney Herbert Stern as to the times their husbands left home and returned on Feb. 21, when Malcolm X was fatally shot.

Earlier, the hearing for the two suspects, Thomas 15X Johnson, 30 years old, and Norman 3X Butler, 26, reputedly a muscleman for the Black Muslim sect with which Malcolm X had broken, was adjourned until Monday in Criminal Court.

A third suspect, Talmadge Hayer, 22, was shot during the assassination and is in the Bellevue Hospital prison ward.

Black Muslim guards told the police in Phoenix, Ariz., in another development yesterday, that two shots had been fired at the home of Elijah Muhammad, the sect's leader, who was in Chicago.

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## Mal's Widow & Before Jury

Mrs. Betty Shabazz, widow of murdered black nationalist leader Malcolm X, appeared for 20 minutes yesterday before the New York County grand jury investigating the slaying.

She refused comment afterward, but an attorney accompanying her said she had been asked "only technical questions."

"She's very much upset," he added. "She's mostly concerned, as regards the future, about her four children, and she's expecting another. She is seeking a home and trying to plan for their education."

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NEW YORK--A NEW YORK COUNTY GRAND JURY TODAY INDICTED THREE MEN ON FIRST-DEGREE MURDER CHARGES IN THE FEB. 21 ASSASSINATION OF BLACK NATIONALIST LEADER MALCOLM X. APPROX.

TWO OF THOSE INDICTED--NORMAN ~~IX~~ BUTLER, 26, AND THOMAS ~~IX~~ JOHNSON, 30--HAVE BEEN DESCRIBED BY POLICE AS "ENFORCERS" FOR THE BLACK MUSLIM MOVEMENT, WHICH CUSTED MALCOLM BEFORE HE SET UP HIS OWN ORGANIZATION. APPROX.

THE THIRD PERSON NAMED IN THE INDICTMENT WAS TALMADGE HAYER, ALIAS THOMAS HAGEN, 22. HAYER WAS WOUNDED AT THE ASSASSINATION SCENE. THE HADUEEN BALLROOM IN UPPER MANHATTAN, AND POLICE ATTRIBUTED THE SHOOTING TO ONE OF MALCOLM'S BODYGUARDS, REUBEN FRANCIS. THE BODYGUARD HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH FELONIOUS ASSAULT.

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